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DIPTERA: CYCLORRHAPHA

CALYPTRATA

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The Calyptrata (Calypterata, Calypterae), containing such groups as dung flies, cabbage flies, house flies, blue bottles, green bottles, warble flies and parasitic flies of caterpillars, etc., are a rather well-defined major group of Diptera, which can be recognised by the cleft on the dorso-exterior surface of the second antennal segment (fig. 1A, L, M; see Handbooks, 9 (1): 39 and fig. 28), which in Acalyptrata is visible at the most as a fine suture-like line. The spiracles are situated in the ventral part of the tergites (fig. l_R , sp), whilst in Acalyptrata they lie in the membrane between tergites and ventrites (but there are exceptions from the general rule both in Acalyptrata and Calyptrata, where the tsetse flies of Africa and the Cordyluridae have the spiracles located in the membrane). The lower calyptra (fig. 1B and c, l.c.) is often large and prominent, and this prompted Robineau-Desvoidy (1830) to place the majority of the forms in a group "Calypterata." Large calyptrae, however, are also found in some Acalyptrates, and small or very small ones in many Anthomyiinae, etc., and especially Cordyluridae (fig. 1D, l.c.), all of which were excluded from his Calypterata by Robineau-Desvoidy. By their mouthparts, second antennal segment, etc., however, they appear closely related to Muscidae. The postalar callosity (or "posterior callus") is as a rule well marked (fig. le and g, c); the transverse "suture" dividing the thorax into an anterior (presutural) and a posterior (postsutural) part is often uninterrupted on median line (fig. 1g, s). ph and prst ia (fig. 1g) very often both present (in Acalyptrata never present at the same time).

The four families may be separated by the following key.1

1 (4) Hypopleura in front of spiracles (sp) with a curved—concavity forward—row of setae (fig. 1E and F, hs)

(3) Postscutellum, a convex cushion-like fold without hairs and setae below the scutellum and above the metathoracic declivity (fig. 1e, p), well developed. If the inner margin of the lower calyptra diverges backwards from lateral margin of scutellum (fig. 1c), R₅ not wider at apex than r-m is long (fig. 1H)

TACHINIDAE, p. 7.

¹ The abbreviations in this and the other keys are those used by most Dipterists:

acr, acrostichal bristles (hairs). prst, presutural. dc, dorsocentral bristles. R_5 , first posterior cell. h, humeral cross-vein. r_1 , first vein. r_{2+3} , second vein. ia, intra-alar bristles. m, fourth vein. r_{4+5} , third vein. m-m, posterior cross-vein. r-m, small cross-vein. npl, notopleural setae. sa, supra-alar bristle. ph, posthumeral seta. sc, auxiliary vein. post, postsutural. Sc, pterostigma. pra, prealar bristle. stpl, sternopleural bristles. prsc, prescutellar.

3 (2) Postscutellum absent (fig. 1F), indistinct or weakly developed: if rather well developed (some specimens of *Cinochira*), the whole inner margir, of the lower callyptra diverging backward from lateral margin of sentellum (fig. 1c) and at the same time R₅ twice as wide at apex as at r-m fig. 1s

CALLIPHORIDAE, p. 96.

- 4 (1) Hypopleura in front of spiracle without a curved row of setae (though sometimes with some irregularly arranged fine short hairs).
- 5 (6) Lower calyptra more or less conspicuous (fig. 1B and c), though often much less projecting than upper one; in these cases either the hind tibiae with distinct dorsal rows of decumbent black hairs (fig. 1k), which lie on two slight longitudinal ridges, or the occiput (fig. 1k, ot) with black hair

MUSCIDAE

6 (5) Lower calyptra strongly reduced, not projecting and forming only a membraneous fold (fig. lp, l.c.). Hairs irregularly arranged on the evenly convex dorsal surface of the tibiae (fig. lj). Occiput with more or less numerous whitish hairs.² Head always with broad frons and without cruciate interfrontal setae. Abdomen almost always with 5(6) exposed segments.

CORDYLURIDAE

Morphology, etc., have been treated in the *Introduction to the Diptera* (Oldroyd, 1949), and the terms used in the present part are, moreover, explained by the figures. Not much need, therefore, be added. It must be stressed that all setae, etc., must be located carefully, since quite different groups will be arrived at, if a row of setae is found on the facial ridges (fa, fig. 1M) or on the parafacialia (pfa, separated from the former by the ptilinal suture, pt), or if a seta on the middle tibia (fig. 1N and 0) is anteroventral (av) or anterodorsal (ad) in position (see below).

The *direction* in which a seta is inclined can be recognised even if the seta is lost, as the margin of its pore is more or less markedly raised on the side towards which the seta is directed.

Some additional characters not mentioned in the *Introduction* are used in the present paper, and a few remarks on other characters which obtain a

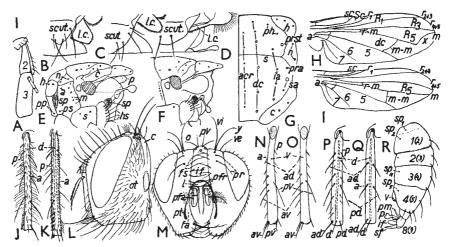


Fig. 1.

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special importance are desirable. On the jowls a hairy, slightly embossed and usually pollinose area extends forward from the hairy area of the occiput; it has been called "occipital dilation" by Mesnil. Where the row of setulae behind the eyes, the occipital row, runs downward and forward in a straight or slightly and evenly concave line (fig. 2k) the occipital dilation is said to be absent, but where the occipital row is markedly bent forward, so that the setulose area forms a broad or narrow tongue on the jowls, the occipital dilation is well developed (fig. 2c, D and L, o.d.) The dorsal median part of the occiput is called cerebrale; it is defined by a pair of fine sutures, and is as a rule more shiny than the adjacent parts of the occiput and largely bare (fig. The setae of the frons (fig. 1m) consist, apart from the (inner vi, and outer ve) verticals, the diverging postverticals (pv), and the ocellars (o), of a paired frontal row of converging ("inclinate") frontal setae (fs) along the inner margin of the parafrontalia (pfr), which row may be continued on the upper part of the parafacialia (pfa) by one or more descending frontals, often a pair of cruciate interfrontal setae on the interfrontalia (if), the softish strip belonging to the ptilinum which is situated between the parafrontalia, a few (1-3) reclinate or upper frontal setae (fig. 2D, r) at the upper end of the frontal row, which may be absent, hardly defined or well defined and even somewhat isolated from this row, and which in some groups are bent outward and backward, in most female and some male Calyptrata two or a few (less often a whole row or only one) of proclinate orbital setae (pr) between the frontal row and the upper eye margin, and in some genera a single conspicuous praevertical (y) set ain front of the verticals, which is strongly bent outward and situated somewhat more outward than the reclinate setae. The width of the front including vertex at the narrowest part has been measured like the head width where it is compared with the latter. Similarly the (overall) length of the third antennal segment and the (dorsal = anterior) length of the second should be measured where the lengths of these segments are compared.

The setae of the thorax (Introduction, p. 13) are of special importance in this group, and it should be kept in mind that the reductions affect and sometimes eliminate the acrostichals (acr) and sometimes intra-alars (ia), whilst the dorsocentrals (dc) or some of them remain strong (fig. 16). The pleural setae are shown in fig. 1 \mathbb{E} , where h means humerals, n notopleurals, pp propleural, ps prostigmatal, ps anterior mesopleural, ps mesopleural row, ps sterno-

pleurals (stpl) and hs hypopleurals.

In describing the wing venation small letters are used in this part for designating veins and capital letters for cells, the letters being those used by Comstock and Needham. However, since the veins and cells of the posterior part of the wing (behind the main part of m and the cross-vein m-m) are subject to differing morphological interpretations and largely of a compound nature, the old-fashioned designations fifth (5), sixth (6) and seventh (7) veins, discal (dc) and $anal\ cells$ (a) have been used as explained in fig. 1H and I. It is important to remember that wing venation is subject to some variation, e.g., R_5 can be closed by the $apical\ cross\ vein\ (x)$ or even very shortly petiolate in forms with normally open R_5 . Thus I have seen an otherwise normal $Thelaira\ nigripes$ with petiolate R_5 . Where the coloration of the halteres is mentioned it refers only to their knob.

For locating the setae of the legs the latter are imagined as extended side-

ward in a straight line at right angles with the body, so the four main directions dorsal (d), anterior (a), ventral (v) and posterior (p) are obtained. By combining two adjacent ones of these directions, e.g., antero-ventral (av), postero-dorsal (pd), etc., intermediate positions are described. The d surface of the tibiae will more easily be identified (especially when immature specimens have been killed and the legs have been twisted in drying if the following facts are kept in mind. The basal (knee) end of the tibia projects on its d surface where the tendon of the extensor muscle is inserted: this projection is quite conspicuous under appropriate magnification (see fig. 1r and q), and contrasts sharply with the emargination of the v surface (see fig. 1r and q). In most Calyptrata the d surface is, moreover, recognisable by a pair of very pronounced rows of decumbent short hairs (fig. 1r, r and q), between which the surface is glabrous and as a rule shallowly grooved. Wherever setae of the tibae are mentioned without the addition of the word "subbasal," "apical" or "praeapical" those on the intermediate part are meant.

The fused first and second abdominal tergites (fig. 1R) are in this paper counted as the first tergite (1), and the first ventrite, which is small but separate from the second, is called "ventro-basal scale" where it is necessary to refer to it; as in previous papers I use the terms "tergite" and "ventrite" exclusively for parts of the abdomen. Where discal or marginal setae of the tergites are mentioned without qualification, only the pair close to the dorsal median line, the "median discals" or "median marginals" are concerned, not any lateral or dorsolateral discals or marginals. The marginals are the setae close to the hind margin, and the discals are placed between the marginals and the fore margin. The genital segments, which are very frequently mentioned in Sarcophaginae, are in the male the somewhat hemispherical segment carrying the forcipes (second genital segment, 2G) and the one preceding it (first genital segment, 1G), which consists in reality of two more or less fused segments (morphologically the seventh and eighth), in which the sixth may to some extent have been incorporated. In the female Sarcophaginae they are the fused sixth and seventh tergites, which form the apparent fifth.

For the male hypopygium (fig. 1R) the following simple terminology is used: superior forceps (sf) for the, often more or less fused, pair of appendages which lies ventrad of the membranous anal area, inferior forceps (if) for the pair of appendages which articulates in front of the outer basal end of the superior forceps. The intromittent organ is called the penis (p), and at its base two or less, frequently only one, pair of parameres (pm) are found. resting position the genitalia are withdrawn into a pouch which is closed exteriorly and anteriorly by the fourth (really fifth) ventrite (v). The latter is usually more or less deeply bilobed or otherwise modified in connection with The hypopygium of the Calyptrata has undergone clockwise this function. rotation by 360°. This is not exteriorly visible but can be traced by anatomical facts, and it does not affect descriptive work. For the identification of species, the male genitalia are sometimes indispensable, and almost always very useful, and they should always be brought into an exserted position when freshly killed Calyptrata are mounted for the collection. This can easily be done with the aid of a needle, the apex of which has been bent to form a hook. It is, however, necessary to hold the genitalia in exserted position while the specimen dries. This can be done with pins on a plate of cork or the like, or by inserting a small wedge-shaped piece of stiff paper. Where it is necessary to study the genitalia of dried specimens, it is as a rule better to avoid relaxing of the specimen, which—if water vapour is used—often destroys the pattern of the pollinosity, and instead to cut off the tip of the abdomen by a quick cut with a pair of sharp scissors in an oblique direction from the dorsal hind end towards the ventral front end of the abdomen. A vessel with alcohol of 40 per cent. must be kept underneath the specimen during the operation to receive the tip of the abdomen, which otherwise will often be lost. After having soaked for about 10 minutes in the alcohol the genitalia will be soft enough to be extracted.

In describing the pattern a *vitta* always refers to a longitudinal stripe and a *band* to a transverse one.

The measurements in mm. at the end of each description refer to the total length of the body, including the head but excluding antennae, wings, etc., Where good British series were available extreme measurements of these are given, but otherwise foreign material was included. These measurements. can in any case not be more than an indication of the range of size, and it will in many cases not be difficult to find a smaller or larger specimen.

The distribution, as known to me at present, is normally given by a number of counties forming the angles of a polygon (densely stippled on map). Any county traversed by a line which is imagined through the most distant parts of two counties immediately following upon each other in the list is deemed to be included in the area. This does, however, not apply to Welsh counties when a line connecting two English counties runs through Wales without a Welsh county also being mentioned. Species are not necessarily available or have not been recorded from every single county included in such a polygon but from a reasonable number of counties (lightly stippled on map), so that the fly may be assumed to range over the whole area. In the case of species which have been found at not more than about five places the full list of localities is given; for other less widely distributed species the counties have simply been listed without the word "to" thus not forming a polygon. An exclamation mark (!) after a locality indicates a new record for the species.

For species which have been found more than a very few times the seasonal occurrence is represented in periods of 10 days, each month being divided into the beginning ("b" = 1st-10th), middle ("m" = 11th-20th) and end ("e" = 21st-31st). As far as successive periods are covered by published records or by data on material studied, they have been united into one period (e.g., e.v-m.viii), and this has also been done where one, or some non-successive, thirds of a month are not covered, as long as this gap does not occur between the end of May and beginning of July, when linking up of the periods might have obscured the beginning of a new generation. Correspondingly periods have been united more freely in early spring and in autumn, when gaps between generations can hardly occur. Where published sources or labels refer only to the month of capture, this has been given as far as it supplements available data.

Because of other duties I have not been able to work through all the British faunistic literature nor even a considerable material of unnamed British Calyptrata in the British Museum (Natural History). I am very grateful to my wife for having tested the keys against some of this material. The keys have also been used by Dr. C. H. Andrewes and Mr. E. C. M.d'Assis-



Distribution of *Macquartia praefica* Meigen. Counties not stippled: No credible records or specimens seen. Counties stippled lightly: Credible records or specimens seen. Counties stippled densely: Delimiting the proved distribution and therefore mentioned in the text.

Fonseca, myself and, to a small extent, my sons. I wish to thank my wife, Dr. Andrewes and Mr. Fonseca for suggestions made in this connection. Thanks are also due to Mr. H. Oldroyd of the British Museum (Natural History), who facilitated progress in various ways, and to M. L.-P. Mesnil of the Commonwealth Institute of Biological Control, who was good enough to inform me of certain results of his studies on Tachinidae (especially on Erycia and Nemorilla). I am grateful to Mr. Collin, Dr. Day and Mr. Fonseca for the loan or presentation to the Museum of rare species otherwise not available. Without their help it would not have been possible to attain such a degree of completeness, but I have even more reason to be thankful to the late C. J. Wainwright and his daughters for giving his collection with its long series of beautifully mounted specimens of almost all British species to the Museum. The figure of Actia verralli Wainwr. on the cover I owe to Mr. J. H. Burman; the other figures were drawn by myself with the aid of a camera lucida.

The ecological data are largely those given by Day (1948). If I did not carry out my original intention of copying the distributional data mainly from Wainwright's and Day's works, but in the end made use of the most important modern faunistic literature of Britain and of the collections of the British Museum, thanks are due mainly to Mr. R. L. Coe, who prepared a valuable card file of that literature for the British Museum (Natural History), who placed the most important works on my table, and who helped me with much advice and information concerning further literature, identification of collecting localities, etc. Mr. J. E. Collin has been kind enough to check and supplement the distributional data from his famous collection, a long and tedious work, which he undertook very readily, and which led to many improvements. Beyond this I owe very many thanks to Mr. Collin for reading the manuscript, making many valuable suggestions for its improvement and for much important information on nomenclatural problems.

TACHINIDAE

The Tachinidae are Diptera with a well-developed ptilinal suture (fig. 1m, pt), with only three antennal segments, the rest of the antenna being represented by a three-segmented bristle-like arista (fig. 14), which is inserted near base of dorsal margin of third segment, with a longitudinal cleft on the dorsoexterior surface of the second antennal segment, with the abdominal spiracles situated in the ventral part of the tergites (fig. 1R, sp), with a row of hypopleural bristles (fig. 1E, hs), and with a well-developed postscutellum (fig. 1E, p). Both by their habits, numbers and often striking coloration and shape the "parasitic flies," as the Tachinidae may be named, since they contain the great majority of the flies with this habit, have always attracted numerous collectors. Unfortunately research on their classification has not been correspondingly intensive, and a sound classification has only recently been suggested by Villeneuve (1924, 1933) and worked out by Mesnil (1939, 1944). Being of such recent date, this ingenious classification has not so far been checked and applied to the whole of the family. It is therefore only natural that its use is affected by a considerable number of exceptions in addition to individual variations. Nevertheless, Mesnil's classification is undoubtedly sound in its general lay-out, and the attempt has been made in the present keys to check, amend, and supplement this classification so as to obtain essentially natural groups and a key which leads to, as far as possible, reliable identifications. I am convinced that this type of key, though requiring careful study of the objects, leads in the long run to quicker and easier identification than "easy" or "artificial" keys, since it reduces the number of unsuccessful attempts, since it allows anyone as a rule to come to identifications not subject to doubt, and since it keeps related forms side by side. This type of key was the obvious choice also, because an excellent artificial key has recently been produced by Day (1948). Of the semi-artificial keys Stein's (1924), Lundbeck's (1927) and Wainwright's (1928–1940) papers will be found most useful.

Nomenclature presents special difficulties in Tachinidae because the important characters in this group have been realised only rather recently, and because misidentifications have therefore occurred at all times. There are thus not many names for which others have not been proposed with widely differing justification, from the ludicrous substitution of Stephanostomatidae for Sarcophaginae to the rather justified replacement of Ocyptera by Cylindromyia. The standard of the classification and the knowledge of the species as such is of course not affected by changes in nomenclature, but the names are important as means of communication like a language and as key-words to the literature. In judging proposed changes in nomenclature it must be kept in mind that the reasons for these will almost always appear convincing, since the author only proposes them because the evidence known to him has satisfied him of the "justification" or even "necessity" for a change. It is, however, next to impossible for one man to know and interpret exhaustively all the dispersed notes affecting a name, and a fuller use of the literature, or a different interpretation, or a more critical comparison of a description with specimens will prove in many cases that the change was wrong or not necessary. Moreover, the rules of Zoological Nomenclature stipulate expressly that they be suspended by the Commission "where . . . strict application . . . will clearly result in greater confusion than uni-This implies obviously that the change which would lead to "greater confusion" must not be made before the Commission has been able to decide on it, since otherwise its decision would be forced by new developments. As the main catalogues and the bulk of the literature were published before name-changing assumed the alarming proportions of the present time the well-established names have been retained in this publication, although two excellent modern reference works which are widely used by British Dipterists (Kloet and Hincks and Mesnil in Lindner) have readily accepted changes. The most conspicuous deviation of these two works from the established nomenclature is the acceptance of the Meigen (1800)-Hendel (1908) names, which have been discussed very ably by Oldroyd (1949, pp. 31-33), and which since then have received their coup-de-grâce by an application by Sabrosky (1952) for their suppression based on the results of a statistic survey of the literature. This survey has shown that in 40 years these names, which were published "absolument" without any species names "pour ne pas anticiper sur" Meigen's main work of 1818-1838 (p. 7 of the introduction), have been fully accepted in hardly 7 per cent. of the major publications (and in only 2-5 per cent. of the non-taxonomic papers dealing with groups affected by them and listed in the Zoological Record for 1939,

1947 and 1948), and that uniformity can therefore much more reasonably be expected by their total suppression than by any further discussion.

Names of subgenera and split-genera have been mentioned in the keys, in order that users can easily trace their position when meeting with them in publications. Most of these names are entirely unnecessary, and their use should be strongly discouraged.

Biology in this Family presents many interesting features and much opportunity for further work, to which the conscientious amateur can easily make valuable contributions, especially concerning host-selection. Several host-lists are available, the most important of which for the British fauna are Audcent (1942; an abridged version in Day, 1948), Baer (1920-21), Brauer and Bergenstamm (1894) and Thompson (1943). These lists can of course not or hardly discriminate between well-established, doubtful and erroneous observations, and they give as a rule even less definite indications whether a Tachinid is a regular and frequent or only an occasional parasite of a certain host. An ideal host record should therefore state in some way or other at least the following data: name of parasite, determiner, host and its determiner, stage of host from which parasite emerged and stage which was attacked by parasite, way in which parasitization was proved (e.g., emergence of larva observed, parasite puparium found in host pupa, emergence hole in host pupa, parasite found in cage—the latter statement being much less valuable even if only one species was kept in a cage, since another host may have been hidden in soil, on feeding material, etc.).

The present paper does not so much intend to offer another "host list" as to show the range of potential hosts. Under the Tachinid species the hosts as found in the literature are therefore arranged according to orders and families. New records, mostly on the basis of material in the British Museum (Natural History), are marked (!), or, if they are based on a communication from a collector, by the name of the collector followed by !, both in (). Where in these cases the killed host specimen has been seen, the record have been marked (!!). The abbreviation "etc." in the host lists indicates that the parasite has also been bred from other but non-British species or genera of the same group. Where only a generic or family name or one of an even larger group without a qualifying addition like "a" or "a few" is given, the parasite attacks such a great proportion of the group of hosts that it may be regarded as a potential parasite of all of them. On p. 10-14 the hosts are listed in systematic order and the Tachinid parasites added in the order of the key, i.e., also approximately according to their relationship (which can roughly be assessed from the page numbers). No species names are given in this list, since these can be obtained from the host lists in the key, Audcent, 1942, etc. Moreover, in many cases only a single British species is contained in a host or parasite genus. By economizing in this way it was possible to print the actual names (instead of representing them by numbers, as in Audcent, 1942, and Day, 1948). The host list will thus reveal at a glance which kind of Tachinid parasites are known from a host genus and its relatives.

BRITISH TACHINIDAE (AND RHINOPHORINAE) ARRANGED IN SYSTEMATIC ORDER OF THEIR HOSTS.

Non-British families and genera of hosts, though sometimes mentioned in the keys, are not contained in this list, which, apart from Lepidoptera, is arranged according to Kloet and Hincks (1945). The arrangement and nomenclature of Lepidoptera are largely those used in the Lepidoptera Section of the British Museum (Natural History) and are based especially on the work of Mr. W. H. T. Tams. For help and advice on this order I am much indebted to Dr. T. H. C. Taylor and Mr. H. M. Edelsten.

In some cases where only family names, etc., are mentioned in the keys the parasites are listed here under the genera concerned. Where parasite genera are mentioned for whole families, subfamilies, etc., they have been mentioned as attacking an unspecified or foreign genus or they may be expected to attack almost any species of the group; the text of the keys, the page numbers of which are given, will show which is the case. Genera, families, etc., are often used in a wide sense, or several are combined, partly because recently separated small genera, etc., will be less familiar to Dipterists, partly to avoid repetition and save room, and partly to bring out correlations between relationship and host selection.

Phylum ARTHROPODA.

CLASS CRUSTACEA. ORDER ISOPODA.

Fam. Oniscidae. Rhinophorinae. Oniscus: Frauenfeldia 99; Styloneuria 99; Phyto 99; Parafeburia 100; Stevenia 101; Melanophora 100. Porcellio: Frauenfeldia 99; Styloneuria 99; Phyto 99; Parafeburia 100; Rhinophora 100; Melanophora 100; Armadillidium: Phyto 90; Frauenfeldia 99.

Class Chilopoda. Order Chilopoda.

Fam. LITHOBIIDAE. LITHOBIUS: Loewia 43.

Class Arachnoidea. Order Araneina.

Fam. Araneidae. Aranea: Melanophora 100.

Class HEXAPODA (INSECTA).

Order ORTHOPTERA.

Fam. ACRIDIDAE. CHORTHIPPUS: Meigenia 61.

Order DERMAPTERA.

Fam. Forficulidae. Forficula: Digonochaeta 43; Rhacodineura 81; Zenillia 92.

Order HEMIPTERA (RHYNCHOTA).

Suborder Heteroptera: Leucostomatini 20; Ocypterini 20; Phasiini 20. Fam. Cydnidae: Gymnosoma 27. Cydnus: Alophora 27.

Fam. Pentatomidae: Gymnosoma 27. Aelia: Lophosia 21; Cistogaster 26. Dolycoris, Holcostethus, Palomena: Ocyptera 21. Eurydema: Clytiomyia 26. Elasmucha: Subclytia 26.

Fam. Coreidae: Leucostomatini 21. Coreinae. Enoplops: Leucostoma 21. Alydinae. Dicranomerus: Dionaea 21. Coryzinae. Liorhyssus: Leucostoma 21. Rhopalus: Leucostoma 21.

Fam. Lygaeidae: Leucostomatini 21. Lygaeus: Leucostoma 21. Chilacis: Alophora 27. Eremocoris: Cinochira 98.

Fam. Nabidae: Leucostoma 21.

Suborder Homoptera: Fam. Delphacidae. Criomorphus: ?? Oswaldia 59.

Order LEPIDOPTERA.

Compsilura (p. 57), which is a potential parasite of almost all caterpillars, has been omitted.

Fam. Tineidae. Scardia: Actia 64; Elodia 86. Monopis: Actia 65. Tinea: Craspedothrix 63; Elodia 86.

Fam. Hyponomeutidae: Ptychomyia 69; Discochaeta 82; Zenillia 92. Hypo-NOMEUTA: Blondelia 56; Actia 66; Ptychomyia 69; Tachina 72; Nemorilla 77; Discochaeta 82; Bactromyia 83; Elodia 86; Zenillia 89. Scythropia: Discochaeta 82. Ethmia: Ptychomyia 69; Nemorilla 77. Fam. Glyphipterygidae. Anthophila (Simaethis): Actia 67.

Fam. Sesiidae (Aegeriidae): Leskia 45; Rhinotachina 47. Aegeria: Pelatachina 35; Digonochaeta 43. SCIAPTERON? ("Saperda galls"): Pelatachina 35; Masicera

Fam. Oecophoridae: Nemorilla 77. Oecophora: Craspedothrix 63. Depres-SARIA: Actia 66, 67; Nemorilla 77; Elodia 86; Zenilla 92.

Fam. Gelechidae. Sophronia: Nemorilla 77. Anacampsis: Elodia 86.

Fam. OLETHREUTIDAE (EUCOSMIDAE): Blondelia 56; Actia 66; Tachina 72; Winthemia 78; Zenillia 89; Paraphorocera 88. Evetria: Lypha 42; Leskia 45; Actia 66-67. Gypsonoma: Phytomyptera 63. Notocelia: Nemorilla 77. Eucosma: Neaera 42; Degeeria 61; Phytomyptera 63; Actia 65, 66; Voria 69; Elodia 86; Polychrosis: Ptychomyia 69; Elodia 86. Argyroploce: Actia 66. Cydia (Laspeyresia, Enarmonia, Grapholitha): Digonochaeta 43; Leskia 45; Actia 65; Ptychomyia 69; Nemorilla 77; Zenillia 89, 90; Elodia 86; Eumea 95.

Fam. Tortricidae: Blondelia 56; Actia 66, 67; Ptychomyia 69; Nemorilla 77; Carcelia 81; Erycia 87. DITULA; Actia 66. CACOECIA: Actia 66, 67; Elodia 86; Zenillia 90; Eumea 95. PANDEMIS: Zenillia 90. TORTRIX: Aporotachina 58; Actia 66, 67; Ptychomyia 69; Discochaeta 82; Elodia 86; Zenillia 90; Pales 95. ARGYROTOZA: Actia 66. Sparganothis: Actia 66; Ptychomyia 69; Erynnia 82; Discochaeta 82; Pales 95. PERONEA: Degeeria 61; Actia 66; Ptychomyia 69; Zenillia 90; Elodia 86; Pales 95.

Fam. Phalonidae. Phalonia: Nemorilla 77; Zenillia 90. Clysiana: Ptychomyia 89. Phtheochroa: Actia 67.

Fam. Pterophoridae: Anachaetopsis 60. Oxyptilus: ? Wagneria 40. Adaina:

Phytomyptera 63. OIDAEMATOPHORUS: Actia 67; Pales 95.

Fam. Pyralidae: Nemorilla 77; Zenillia 89, 90, 92. Phycitinae: Blondelia 56. GYMNANCYLA: Meigenia 61. SALEBRIA: Meigenia 61; Ptychomyia 69. DIORYCTRIA: Digonochaeta 43. Euzophera: Leskia 45. Acrobasis: Lydina 42. Pyraustinae: Nemorilla 77. Notarcha: Meigenia 61 (Ent. mon. Mag. 78:191); Zenillia 89, 90, 92. Eurhypara: Blondelia 56; Zenillia 90; Eumea 95. Pyrausta: Digonochaeta 43; Rhynchista 47; Siphona 67; Zenillia 88-90; Paraphorocera 88. Loxostege: Tachina 71, 72; Zenillia 89; Pales 95. Pyralinae: Nemorilla 77. Pyralis: Mintho 34.

Fam. Cossidae. Cossus: Tachina 72; Phorocera 74; Xylotachina 83; Zenillia

Fam. Psychidae: Zenillia 89. Pachythelia: Stomatomyia 69; Gonia 75. Zenillia 90.

Fam. Zygaenidae: Zenillia 92. Zygaena: Tachina 72, 73; Erycia 87; Zenillia 91, 92; Pales 95.

Fam. Geometridae: Campylochaeta 41; Blondelia 56; Erycia 87; Zenillia 90, 92. Ennominae. Opisthograptis: Blepharomyia 38. Semiothisa: Zenillia 91. ITAMA: Oswaldia 59. Bupalus: Ptychomyia 69; Tachina 72; Carcelia 79; Zenillia Hybernia (Erannis): Blepharomyia 38; Lypha 42; Siphona 67; Phorocera 73; Winthemia 78; Zenillia 89, 92. PHIGALIA: Phryno 85. BISTON, AMPHIDASIS, LYCIA: Nemoraea 34; Nemosturmia 77; Winthemia 78. ABRAXAS: Siphona 68; Tachina 72; Carcelia 79; Discochaeta 82; Bactromyia 83; Paraphorocera 88; Zenillia 91, 92; Pales 95. Bapta: Blepharomyia 38. Ourapteryx: Actia 64, 65; Winthemia 78. SELENIA: Zenillia 92. COLOTOIS: Phytomyptera 63; Hebia 82. CROCALLIS: Campy ochaeta 40. LARENTIINAE. ACASIS: Actia 65. EUPITHECIA: Actia 64; Siphona 68; Ptychomyia 69; Carcelia 80; Bactromyia 83; Monochaeta 85; Zenillia 89, 92. Horisme: Chrysosomopsis 48. Anticollix: Siphona 68; Bactromyia 83. Cidaria: Hebia 82. Hydriomena: Micronychia 48; Zenillia 89. Entephria: Oswaldia 59. Triphosa: Monochaeta 85. Earophila: Nemorilla 77. Operophthera: Lypha 42; Phorocera 73; Monochaeta 85. Oporinia: Smidtia 77. Larentia: Winthemia 78. Ortholitha: Gymnochaeta 48; Nemosturmia 77. Sterrhinae. COSYMBIA: Actia 65. OENOCHROMINAE. ALSOPHILA: Pales 95. MONOCTENIINAE. Brephos: Blondelia 56; Tachina 72; Zenillia 89.

Fam. AGROTIDAE (PHALAENIDAE, NOCTUIDAE, CARADRINIDAE): Thelaira 33; Pela-

tachina 35; Wagneria 39; Aphria 47; Eriothrix 48; Blondelia 56; Signisma 65; Tachina 72 ; Winthemia 78 ; Phorcida 84 ; Paraphorocera 88 ; Zenillia 🖭 😤 . 🗈 🕬 95; Pales 95; Hypeninae. Hypena: Discochaeta 82; Erycia 87. Paramar. PLUSIA: Siphona 68; Voria 68, 69; Nemorilla 77; Zenillia 92; Pales 89. Ernestia 49; Voria 69; Carcelia 79; Zenillia 89; Episema: Winthemia 78. Zen was 92. CATOCALINAE. ECTYPA: Voria 69. EUCLIDIMERA: Voria 69. CATOCALA. MINUCIA: Nemosturmia 77; Zenillia 94. SARROTHRIPINAE. SARROTHRIPIS SYNDERIA myia 70; Zenillia 90. Westermanniinae. Bena: Bactromyia 83: Zenaid 12. EUSTROTINAE. EUBLEMMA: Zenillia 91. AMPHIPYRINAE. HELIOTHIS: Extra 252 54; Voria 69; Tachina 71,72; Gonia 76. Luperina: Paraphorocera 88. Fretina: Paraphorocera 88. Laphygma: Linnaemyia 52; Echinomyia 54; Voria 68: Tariwa 71; Gonia 76. Coenobia: Paraphorocera 88. Nonagria: Masicera 57. Coenobia: Ernestia 49; Phryno 85; Eumea 95. CARADRINA: Wagneria 39. ARENISTICLE: Paraphorocera 88. Petilampa: Gymnochaeta 48. Phlogophora: Echippet 54: Siphona 68. EUPLEXIA: Thelaira 33. APAMEA (XYLOPHASIA, CELAENA : Expression myia 54; Carcelia 81. Hydroecia: Paraphorocera 88. Acronictinae. A EINETA-(Apatele): Servillia 53; Echinomyia 54; Oswaldia 59; Ptychomyia 70: Lagrandia 70; Tachina 71, 72; Carcelia 78, 80; Phorcida 84; Zenillia 89, 90, 91; Eures +5. CULLIINAE. AGROCHOLA; Wagneria 39; Carcelia 81. CIRRHIA: Zenillia 52 AN ESSCELIS: Wagneria 40. Eumichtis: Linnaemyia 52; Echinomyia 54. Ernestia 51; Servillia 53; Voria 69; Phorocera 74; Winthemia 78; Hastica 52: Carcelia 79; Masicera 87; Eumea 95. HADENINAE. LEUCANIA: Warrens 32: Echinomyai 54; Siphona 68; Gonia 75. Orrthosia: Leskia 45; Errest a 4-50: Meigenia 61; Actia 66; Voria 69; Ptychomyia 69; Phorocera 73; Smidsia 77: Risasedineura 81; Hebia 82; Bactromyia 83; Phorcida 84; Phryno 85; Zenellia 🐑 : Europa 95. Charaeas: Gonia 75. Tholera: Voria 69. Panolis: Lydina 42: 🕮 chaeta 43; Meriania 49; Ernestia 49,51; Echinomyia 54; Gonia 75; Nerostania 77. Hadena: Ernestia 51; Siphona 68; Voria 69; Tachina 71; Nerostania 77: Paraphorocera 88; Zenillia 89. Polia: Linnaemyia 52; Actia 65: Signora 68. MAMESTRA (DIATARAXIA, CERAMICA, MELANCHRA): Thelaira 33: Pelassin 35: Ernestia 51; Echinomyia 54; Siphona 67, 68; Voria 68,69; Tachina 71. 70: Proceed 74; Gonia 75, 76; Nemorilla 77; Bactromyia 83; Mamestra 91: Elica 95.

Anarta: Voria 68, 69. Agrotinae: Ernestia 51. Agrotis (Eunoa. Altebia. Peridroma, Lycophotia): Pelatachina 35; Ernestia 51; Linnaemyia 52: Pelatachina 35; Echinomyia 54; Siphona 68; Stomatomyia 69; Gonia 75, 76; Eumea 95. O HEGPLEUBA: Siphona 68. Amathes: Wagneria 40; Linnaemyia 53; Echinomyia 54: Propose 74: Phorcida 84; Zenillia 90; Eumea 95. ACTINOTIA: Echinomyia 54.

Fam. Arctidae: Thelaira 33; Blondelia 56; Phorocera 73, 74: Wischemia 78: Carcelia 81; Zenillia 90, 92. Ellema: Campylochaeta 41. Lithosia: Echicomyla 54. Callimorpha: Nemorilla 77; Zenillia 92. Coscinia: Nemorilla 77. Peragmatobia: Carcelia 80; Zenillia 90. Spilosoma: Nemoraea 34: Leskia 45: Ernestia 51; Voria 69; Tachina 72; Nemorilla 77; Zenillia 89, 90. Arctia: Demoticus 47; Eriothria 48; Voria 68; Tachina 72; Gonia 75; Histochaeta 79: Carcelia 79. 80; Erycia 87; Zenillia 89, 90, 94; Pales 95. Parasemia: Zenillia 94. Panania: Carcelia 79.

Fam. Drepanidae: Tachina 72. Drepana: Campylochaeta 41: Ceranthia 63; Carcelia 79; Bactromyia 83; Zenillia 89.

Fam. Saturniidae: Zenillia 92; Pales 95, 96. Saturnia: Ernestia 51; Linnaemyia 52; Tachina 72; Phorocera 74; Nemosturmia 77; Winthemia 78: Carcelia 79; Epicampocera 84; Masicera 87; Zenillia 90.

Fam. Endromidae. Endromis: Carcelia 79, 80.

Fam. Lasiocampidae: Thelaira 33; Eriothrix 48 ("Spinner"); Ernestia 49; Echinomyia 54; Blondelia 56; Tachina 72; Phorocera 74: Carcelia 79; Zenillia 92; Lasiocampa: Digonochaeta 43; Echinomyia 54; Actia 64. 65; Tachina 71, 73; Masicera 87. Poecilocampa: Lypha 42. Eriogaster: Ernestia 51; Actia 64; Tachina 73; Pales 95. Macrothylacia: Meriania 49: Echinomyia 54; Tachina 73; Carcelia 81. Trichiura: Phorocera 74. Malacosoma: Ernestia 51; Ceranthia 63; Tachina 71, 73; Nemosturmia 77; Winthemia 78; Frontina 78; Histochaeta 79; Carcelia 79–81; Phorcida 84; Paraphorocera 88: Zenillia 89, 90, 92; Eumea 95; Pales 95. Philudoria: Meriania 49; Tachina 72, 73; Carcelia 81; Masicera 87; Zenillia 93. Gastropacha: Masicera 87.

Fam. Lymantriidae: Blondelia 56; Tachina 72; Histochaeta 79; Carcelia 79-81; Erycia 87; Zenillia 89, 90, 92; Pales 95. Orgyia: Tachina 73; Carcelia 80; Zenillia

90; Eumea 95. Dasychira: Gymnochaeta 48; Echinomyia 54; Phorocera 74; Nemosturmia 77; Winthemia 78; Carcelia 80; Zenillia 89, 90, 94. Euproctis: Digonochaeta 43; Echinomyia 54; Actia 66; Tachina 72; Phorocera 73; Nemorilla 77; Histochaeta 79; Erycia 87; Masicera 87; Zenillia 89, 90, 92; Eumea 95. LEUCOMA:
Linnaemyia 53; Tachina 71; Phorocera 73; Winthemia 78. LYMANTRIA: Redtenbacheria 41; Gymnochaeta 48; Ernestia 49, 51; Peletieria 53; Echinomyia 54; Meigenia
61; Ptychomyia 69; Tachina 71–73; Phorocera 73–74; Histochaeta 79; Rhacodineura
81; Erynnia 82; Phryno 85; Erycia 87; Masicera 87; Zenillia 89, 90; Pales 96.

Fam. THYATIRIDAE. THYATIRA: Zenillia 92. ACHLYA: Ernestia 49. POLY-

PLOCA: Phorocera 73: Carcelia 80.

Fam. Notodontidae: Thelaira 33; Tachina 72. Clostera: Campulochaeta 41; Carcelia 79; Bactromyia 83; Zenillia 89; NOTODONTA: Digonochaeta 43; Micronychia 48; Dexodes 58; Brachychaeta 81. Pheosia: Digonochaeta 43. Pterostoma: Carcelia 79. Lophopteryx: Ernestia 51. Cerura: Winthemia 78. Phalera: Blondelia 56; Carcelia 79, 81.

Fam. Sphingidae: Thelaira 33; Masicera 87; Zenillia 92. Hemaris: Linnaemyia 52; Echinomyia 54. Macroglossa: Tachina 72. Hippotion: Tachina 72. Deilephila: Ernestia 51; Dexodes 58; Tachina 72; Winthemia 78; Phorcida 84; Massicera 87. Sphinx: Tachina 72; Winthemia 78; Frontina 78; Carcelia 79; Massicera 87. Acherontia: Massicera 87. Smerinthus, Laothoe: Tachina 72. Winthemia 78; Frontina 78; Masicera 87. DILINA: Masicera 87. CELERIO: Ernestia 51; Linnaemyia 53; Servillia 53; Blondelia 56; Tachina 72; Masicera 87. Hyloicus Campylochaeta 41; Linnaemyia 52; Echinomyia 54; Carcelia 79; Phorcida 84; Eumea 95.

Fam. Hesperiidae: Tachina 72; Zenillia 90, 92.

Fam: Pieridae: Zenillia 92. Aporia: Blondelia 56; Phorocera 74; Zenillia 89. Pieris: Tachina 72; Phorocera 73; Phoroida 84; Epicampocera 84; Masicera 87; Zenillia 92; Eumea 95. Gonepteryx: Carcelia 79; Zenillia 92.

Fam. Papilionidae: Winthemia 78. Papilio: Peletieria 53; Tachina 72.

Fam. Lycaenidae: Zenillia 89, 92. Lysandra: Zenillia 90. Celastrina: Lypha 42. Callophrys: Tachina 72; Zenillia 88, 90. Thecla (Strymon): Bactromyia 83; Zenillia 92.

Fam. Nymphalidae: Blondelia 56; Phorocera 74; Erycia 87; Zenillia 92. Argynnis: Tachina 72; Winthemia 78. Melitaea (Euphydryas): Tachina 72; Erycia 87. VANESSA (AGLAIS, NYMPHALIS): Pelatachina 35; Leskia 45; Ernestia 51; Siphona 68; Voria 68; Tachina 71, 72; Nemorilla 77; Winthemia 78; Erycia 87; Masicera 87; Zenillia 90, 91; Pales 95. Polygonia: Tachina 72; Zenillia 91.

Fam. SATYRIDAE. No records.

Order Coleoptera (see Emden, 1950).

Dufouriini 20; Dexiinae 27.

Fam. Carabidae: Viviania 56. Carabus: Freraea 23. Amara: Weberia 24. HARPALUS: Freraea 23; Weberia 24; Dinera 29.

Fam. Coccinellidae: Nemorilla 77.

Fam. Tenebrionidae: Stomatomyia 69. Blaps: Stomatomyia 69. Stomatomyia 69.

Fam. Scarabaeidae: ? Trixa 29. Melolonthinae: Billaea 29; Dexia 30. SERICINI: Prosena 30. SERICA: Dinera 29; ? Dexia 30. MELOLONTHINI: Prosena 30. Amphimallon: Dexia 30. Melolontha: Dexiosoma 28; Dexia 30. Rutelinae. Anomalini: Prosena 30. Cetoniinae: Billaea 29. Fam. Lucanidae: Billaea 29.

Fam. Cerambycidae: Billaea 29. Pyrrhidium: ? Zenillia 93. SAPERDA:

Atropidomyia 29: ? Pelatachina 35; ? Masicera 87.

Fam. Chrysomelidae. Criocerinae. Crioceris: Meigenia 61. Chrysomel-INAE: Ptilopsina 23; Meigenia 61. CHRYSOMELA (CHRYSOLINA): Macquartia 36; Perichaeta 57; Meigenia 61. Gastrophysa: Meigenia 61. Phaedon: Meigenia 61. Plagiodera: Ptilopsina 23; Degeeria 61. Melasoma (Chrysomela L. of Latr.): ? Macquartia 37; Meigenia 61. Phytodecta: Meigenia 61; ? Histochaeta 79. Phyllodecta: Meigenia 61. Timarcha: Meigenia 61. Galerucinae. Galeru-CELLA: Erynniopsis 60; Degeeria 61. LOCHMAEA: Degeeria 61. AGELASTICA: Meigenia 61; Degeeria 61. HALTICINAE. HALTICA: Arrhinomyia 55: Degeeria 61. CASSIDINAE. CASSIDA: Minella 23.

Fam. Curculionidae: ? Graphogaster 23. Sitona: Syntomogaster 22. Lixus: Nyctia 103. Balaninus: Winthemia 78.

Order HYMENOPTERA.

Suborder Symphyta.

Fam. Pamphiliidae. Acantholyda: Tachina 72; Carcelia 81. Neurotoma: Compsilura 57; Zenillia 91.

Fam. CIMBICIDAE. CIMBEX: Compsilura 57; Phorocera 74: Carcelia 81: Zenillia

94. Abia: Zenillia 94.

Fam. Diprionidae: Blondelia 56; Diplostichus 70. Diprion: Meigenia 61; Voria 68, 69; Diplostichus 70; Tachina 72; Phorocera 73, 74; Zenillia 92, 94. Gilpinia: Ptychomyia 70; Diplostichus 70. Monoctenus: Staurochaeta 59. Neodiprion: Zenillia 92.

Fam. Tenthredinidae. Tenthredininae. Tenthredo: Tachina 71; Pales 95. Tenthredopsis: Tachina 71. Blennocampinae. Eriocampa: Zenillia 90. Emphytus: Ptychomyia 70. Athalia: Blondelia 56; Meigenia 61; Tachina 71. Nematinae: Ptychomyia 70. Cladius: Tachina 71. Priophorus: Blondelia 56; Compsilura 57. Pteronidea: Blondelia 56; Compsilura 57; Zenillia 91. Pristiphora: Tachina 71; Zenillia 90.

Order DIPTERA.

Fam. Tipulidae: Trichopareia 62. Tipula: Siphona 67, 68. Dictenidia, Tanyptera, Ctenophora: Trichopareia 62.

Fam. Syrphidae. Merodon: Lypha 42. Fam. Muscidae. Pegomyia: Siphona 67.

Phylum VERTEBRATA.

Class Mammalia.

Order Ungulata.

Fam. Bovidae. Bos: Hypoderma 25. Ovis: Oestrus 24. Capra: Oestrus 24; Hypoderma 25.

Fam. CERVIDAE. CERVUS: Hypoderma 25. Fam. EQUIDAE. EQUUS: Hypoderma 25.

Order PRIMATES.

Fam. Hominidae. Homo: Oestrus 24; Hypoderma 25.

If rare species and species with unknown hosts are neglected, it will be found that the great majority of Tachinidae parasitize a wide range of hosts within the same order, and in not a few cases even in several orders. Thus all Goniinae, all Tachininae, except some Meigeniini, and all Macquartiinae, probably except *Macquartia* and *Loewia*, attack larvae of Lepidoptera and almost always those of several families. Various species of Tachininae and Goniinae are also known to parasitize larvae of sawflies, hosts similar in habitat, habits and structure (*Blondelia*, *Compsilura*, *Meigenia*; *Voria*; *Ptychomyia*, *Diplostichus*—where sawflies are the main hosts—*Phorocera*, *Tachina*; *Carcelia lucorum*, *Zenillia pexops* and other species, *Pales*). Other

genera of these groups attack (in addition, and sometimes in preference, to Lepidoptera) Diptera (Siphona), Chrysomelidae (Meigenia, Degeeria, Histochaeta?), phytophagous Coccinellidae (Nemorilla)—the latter two groups of hosts again similar to caterpillers in habitat and habits—terricolous Tenebrionidae (Stomatomyia), Curculionidae (Winthemia) and Forficulidae (Rhacodineura, Zenillia). In these two subfamilies, Tachininae and Goniinae, some species of Meigeniini are the only forms not known to attack Lepidoptera (Viviania, living in Carabidae; Arrhinomyia and Erynniopsis in Chrysomelidae, Trichopareia in leatherjackets, Perichaeta in sawfly larvae and Chrysomela).

In Macquartiinae all forms with projecting mouth-margin seem to be polyphagous parasites of Lepidoptera and do not apparently attack hosts of other orders. The bulk of the forms with non-projecting mouth margins follow obviously the same pattern but Wagneria seems to attack almost exclusively Noctuid larvae, Digonochaeta is a regular parasite of earwigs in addition to Lepidoptera, and Lypha, a common parasite of various Lepidoptera, has once been bred from a Syrphid. Loewia foeda, the only species of its genus which has ever been bred, is a regular parasite of centipedes and probably does not attack caterpillars and other insects. The species of Macquartia are regular parasites of Chrysomelid larvae, and the only summary record from a caterpillar without any details requires confirmation.

Most of the groups so far mentioned, then, are typically polyphagous, the more or less oligophagous exceptions being Macquartia, Loewia, Viviania, Erynniopsis, Arrhinomyia, Trichopareia and, as far as their hosts other than Lepidoptera and sawflies are concerned, Siphona, Meigenia, Degeeria, Histochaeta?, Perichaeta, Stomatomyia and Rhacodineura. (Nemorilla, Winthemia and sbg. Phryxe are here omitted, because their parasitism in Coleoptera or Coleoptera and Dermaptera seems to be due rather to extreme polyphagy than to oligophagy.) There appear to be in the subfamilies Tachininae and Goniinae a few oligophagous genera, the host-selection of which is, like that of Wagneria, almost or wholly restricted to one family of Lepidoptera. is possibly the case in Anachaetopsis, Monochaeta (Geometridae), Gonia (AGROTIDAE) and Xylotachina (Cossus), whilst a few other genera seem to have a marked preference for certain groups of hosts: Phorcida, Voria, Elodia (TINEIDAE), Erycia (LYMANTRIIDAE) and Paraphorocera (AGROTIDAE). Host preferences will exist in many more cases where a certain species or groups of hosts are much more often attacked than all the others, and it is known that during over-abundance of certain caterpillars or sawfly larvae their parasites seem to concentrate on them. In other cases some groups of insects may be attacked only at seasons when the primary hosts are not available, but much research of a quantitative, statistical nature will be necessary to put observations of this type on a secure basis. Some of the problems involved have been discussed for Compsilura by Webber and Schaffner (1926, Bull. U.S. Dep. Agric. 1363).

In the first two subfamilies, however, matters are very different, the Dexiinae being regular and virtually exclusive parasites of larval Coleoptera (a few records from Lepidoptera are not sufficiently substantiated, and only the South American *Paratheresia* is proved to be a regular parasite of certain Lepidoptera, probably in addition to Coleoptera which share the habitat), and in the Phasiinae the Leucostomatini, Ocypterini and Phasiini are ex-

clusive parasites of Heretoptera, the Dufouriini of (mostly adult) Coleoptera, and the Oestrini of Mammalia.

It should be kept in mind that the preceding account is based largely on the published host lists. Although certain strange records have been traced to their source and scrutinised,³ this has, of course, not been possible for the bulk of the records, which have been accepted if they appear consistent with each other. It is quite possible that further research into host-selection and even a detailed study of the literature may modify the above conclusions.

A second fascinating chapter of the biology of this group concerns the types of oviposition and in connection with it of eggs and first-stage larvae, and of entering the host. Pantel (1910) has defined ten types of oviposition, and these have been widely used, so that it is advisable to retain them even though their arrangement is not in every respect ideal. Baer (1920: 202) has named most of these groups after one of the genera contained in them. In the following account of these groups only British genera are mentioned.

1. Parasetigena group. Oviparous; egg of normal size, flattened below and deposited on the skin of the host; number of eggs normal; vagina not modified. Gymnosoma, Clytiomyia (i.e., probably all Phasiini except Alophora); Meigenia, Tachina, Phorocera (sbg. Parasetigena and Phorocera s. str.), Diplostichus (G. J. Kerrich!), Ptychomyia, Nemorilla, Winthemia.

2. Gonia group. Oviparous at advance state of embryogenesis; eggs very small, dark with pale underside, deposited on the food plant and ingested by host; number of eggs very great, vagina forming a uterus. Frontina, Gonia, Histochaeta; Brachychaeta, Rhacodineura; Phryno, Erycia?, Masicera, Monochaeta, Hebia, various Zenillia, Eumea, Pales.

3. Sarcophaga group. Larviparous; eggs banana-shaped, larvae hatching and increasing in size in the uterus, which is short with a transverse saclike dilation; progeny moderately numerous. Sarcophaginae including

some Miltogrammini.

4. Echinomyia group. Ovoviviparous or larviparous; larvae very small covered with small black plates, which are contiguous in contracted larvae and reduce transpiration; eggs deposited in vicinity of hosts; numerous ovarioles, eggs regularly arranged in the large extensible uterus. Nemoraea, Lydina, Lypha; Micronychia, Gymnochaeta, Chrysosomopsis, Ernestia, Meriania; Linnaemyia; Peletieria, Servillia, Echinomyia, i.e., Nemoraeini, Helocerini (part), all Echinomyiini except the Aphriina.

5. Biology probably similar, but fecundity smaller, fewer ovarioles, uterus more slender, arrangement of eggs in regular rows or more irregularly lengthwise. *Digonochaeta*, *Neaera* (Helocerini); *Macquartia* (Macquartiini);

Eriothrix (Aphrina); Billaea = Myiocera (Deximae).

6. Plagia group. Ovoviviparous or larviparous; like preceding two groups, but progeny deposited on the host. Pelatachina, Phyllomyia (Mac-

³ As an example and warning *Gonia* may be mentioned, parasitizing *Bombus* and *Anthophora* according to published host lists, which follow the authority of Zetterstedt and Schiner. The sole source of this record is an account by Wahlberg (1843, *Förh. Skandin. Naturf. Mote* 3 (1842): 243) on the shadowing of *Anthophora* by a *Miltogramma*, which account contains the sentence: "I have observed the same behaviour in . . . *Gonia fasciata* Meig., which for the same reason follows . . . *Bombus terrestris.*" Without mentioning *Gonia* again Wahlberg then describes how *Miltogramma* deposits its egg on the bee. There is no mention of Wahlberg having seen *Gonia* deposit its egg (see group 2 on this page), let alone *Gonia* parasitizing an Apid larva.

quartiini); Thelaira (Thelairini); Leskia, Myiobia (Leskiini); Siphona (Siphonini); Voria, Plagia, Athrycia, Cyrtophleba (Voriini); Zenillia vul-

garis and affinis, Eumea hortulana.

7. Compsilura group. Ovoviviparous or larviparous; progeny inserted by the female into the host after the latter's skin has been perforated by means of a separate piercer; eggs obliquely arranged in the uterus in single file. Compsilura, Blondelia, probably Microvibrissina (i.e., Meigeniini with piercer).

8. Weberia group. Ovoviviparous or larviparous; progeny inserted by female into host by means of an ovipositor acting as piercer.

(pars), Freraea?

9. Oviparous; eggs introduced into host by complicated structure for holding the host and piercing its skin; eggs soft-skinned, often tapering Alophora; Ocyptera?; Leucostoma?.

10. Carcelia group. Oviparous; eggs soft-skinned, stalked, attached by

female to hairs of host. Carcelia.

As will be seen, the more primitive flies, Sarcophaginae, Dexiinae and Macquartiinae, are found only in groups 3-6, and conversely these groups contain only primitive Tachinids apart from Siphonini, Voriini and two Zenillia in group 6. A more logical grouping which would seem to reflect the phylogenetic development is the following:

A. Larviparous or ovoviviparous, progeny not deposited on host except in some Sarcophaginae, where the host is normally dead or paralysed (Pantel's

groups 3-5).

(i) Larvae actively seeking out the host: Sarcophaginae, Dexiinae.

(ii) Progeny placed near host and ingested by host: Macquartiinae, except groups mentioned under B. (Larvae and biology: Thompson, 1923.)

B. Larviparous or ovoviviparous, progeny deposited on host (transitional groups). Macquartiinae (Thelairini, Leskiini, some Macquartiini); Siphonini and Voriini of Tachininae; some Zenillia Eumea hortulana (Pantel's group 6).

c. Oviparous or progeny introduced into host.

(i) Oviparous, eggs small, not deposited on or in host, ingested by host. Many Goniinae. (Pantel's group 2.). (Larvae and biology: Thompson, 1924).

(ii) Eggs deposited on host or in host, or larvae (or eggs about to hatch)

introduced by piercing the skin.

(a) Hosts are Heteroptera, adult (seldom larval or pupal) Coleoptera, or Mammalia; eggs laid on host or introduced by piercing ovipositor or by ovipositor supported by structures for clasping host. Phasiinae (Pantel's groups, 8, 9 and in part 1).

(b) Hosts are larvae of Lepidoptera and sawflies, sometimes adult or

larval Coleoptera or other groups.

α Eggs deposited on host: Meigenia (Meigeniini), Tachinini, Winthemiini (Pantel's group 1 in part); stalked eggs deposited on host: Carcelia (Carceliini) (Pantel's group 10).

β. Larvae or eggs about to hatch introduced into host through a wound inflicted by a piercer which is not formed by the tip of the ovipositor; some

Meigeniini (Pantel's group 7).

Many genera and tribes remain to be placed in these biological groups, and there are many other interesting chapters in the biology of the Tachinids, such as number of parasite larvae per host, rate of multiplication. The and place of pupation and factors influencing the place, exterior and interior reactions of the host, hibernation, metabolism of the parasitic larvae. Expression importance, biological control of pests with Tachinidae, etc. Many of these problems have been discussed by Baer (1920–1921), but much is still to be discovered.

KEY TO SUBFAMILIES.

- 1 (6) Prosternum bare (fig. 2A, p), seldom hairy or setulose, but then (Oestrus, Legista).

 Micronychia) the hind tibia (fig. 2E, pv) with a well-developed practical state (subequal to the av one). Reclinate upper frontal setae normally absent (cfr fig. 2D, r), i.e., very seldom 2-3 pairs of differentiated reclinate setae present somewhat in front of the vertical setae (the uppermost inclinate setae may however become gradually more reclinate as in fig. 2c. but there are neither stronger than, nor more distant from, the other inclinate setae, and the posterior one is not placed markedly outwards of the preceding the females and dichoptic males often with a praevertical seta (fig. 2E, pr. 1 december).
- ⁴ It is very difficult to separate such genera as *Ptilopsina*, *Syntomogaster*. Graphogaster, etc., from Macquartiini, and the Dufouriini appear in fact to be closely related to that tribe. In the present key these intermediate genera will normally be traced to Macquartiini, where the user is referred back to Dufouriini.

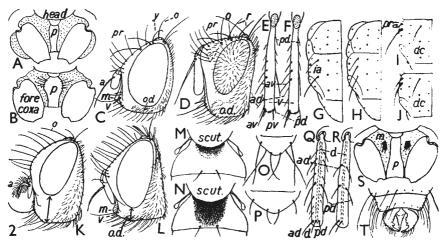


Fig. 2.

3 (2) As a rule 3 post ia (fig. 2H); if only two are present, it is obviously the first one which has been lost; if only one (or one distinct ia) is present, the mouthmargin not projecting between vibrissae (fig. 2D and H), or the arista plumose (fig. 2K. a).

4 (5) Jowls as wide as, or wider than, the combined length of the second and third antennal segments (fig. 2κ, [↑]), and without an occipital dilation (except in Atropidomyia, Dinera and Estheria bohemani, all of them with conspicuously hairy arista). Eyes rather small, never hairy. Antennae short, inserted below middle of eyes, first segment not projecting; arista plumose (fig. 2κ, a) or conspicuously hairy (fig. 6c) except in Trixa (fig. 6p). Frontal setae very seldom descending below base of antennae. β: Only one paramere present, its base attached to penis (Rubtzov 1951).

6 (1) Prosternum with one or more black setulae on each side (fig. 2B, p), seldom bare (Hebia, Xylotachina, Perichaeta, most Voriini), but then 2-3 pairs of well-differentiated reclinate upper frontal setae present (fig. 2D, r). Hind tibia (fig. 2E, pv) without a pv apical spur. Mesonotum always with well-developed setae among the hair. Arista more or less bare. Frontal setae descending below the base of the antennae (fig. 2D). Face without a keel between the antennae. J: Anterior and posterior parameres present, both entirely free, figs. 1R, 220, P, pm (Rubtzov 1951).

Subfamily Phasiinae.

KEY TO TRIBES.

(2) Dorsum more or less evenly haired, without any clearly differentiated setae.
 Prosternal sclerite (Oestrus) or membrane (Hypoderma) hairy (fig. 2B, p and s, m). Mouth opening small and mouthparts very small or vestigial (fig. 4o and r).
 \(\varphi \): genitalia retractile.
 Parasites of mammals (Ungulata and occasionally man). OESTRINI (p. 24).

2 (1) Dorsum, at least of thorax, with some well-differentiated setae. Prosternum (fig. 2A, p) bare (both sclerite and membrane). Mouth-opening large and mouthparts well developed.

- 3 (8) Two post ia (fig. 2G), less often the posterior one only developed, in these cases the hind tibiae with a pv apical spur (fig. 2E, pv) or with more than two d preapicals (i.e., at least a pd preapical present in addition to the d and ad preapicals, fig. 2Q). Scutellum (fig. 2, o) with three pairs of marginal setae (but in Ocyptera interrupta with only one).
- 4 (5) Ocellars curved outwards and backwards (fig. 2c, o). Hind tibiae with three d preapicals (ad, d and pd, fig. 2q), without a pv apical spur (fig. 2F). Frons of male much narrower than that of female, but 2-3 times as wide as ocellar

⁵ This is not true of Gonia and Rhacodineura, which, in spite of their pv apical seta are placed in this section. Brachychaeta and some Trichopareia also have a small pv seta. It is next to impossible to allow for these exceptions at this point, so reference has been made to them in the keys to Macquartiinae.

tubercle. Female with an outwardly-bent praevertical seta fig. fig. p and with distinctive forcipate terminalia (reminiscent of the cerei of an earwig but much smaller—fig. 2 π). 3 post dc; 1+1 acr. Lateral soutellars in distinct, basal, subapical and apical ones strong (fig. 2 α). Halteres fuscus.

Parasites of Heteroptera (and reputedly Coleoptera)

LEUCOSTOMATINI D. 20). 5 (4) Ocellars proclinate (see fig. 2D, o), sometimes curved outwards and only slightly forward, or indistinct, seldom (sometimes in Ocyptera) curved slightly backwards, in this case the hind tibia with only 2d (ad and d) preapicals fig. 2z). Frons of male as wide as that of female or less than twice as wide as ocellar tubercle (but in Weberia about thrice as wide). Female terminalia not forcipate, though often large and doubled back on ventral surface of abdo-

men (fig. 3s).

Lateral part of occiput wholly or partly clothed with whitish hair ifig. 3D and 6 (7) E). Metasternum closed behind hind coxae by a broad, darkly scienciized bridge (fig. 3A, ↑). Hind tibiae with a distinct pv apical spur (fig. 2E. pr). Third antennal segment (fig. 3D and E) much longer than the jowls are wide, first segment projecting, contiguous at base. 3 post dc. Very elongate forms.

(6) Lateral part of occiput clothed with black hair only (fig. 31). Metasternum broadly open behind hind coxae (fig. 3B, \(\)), except in Weberia pseudofunesta where the hind tibiae have no pv apical spur (fig. 2F). Third antennal segment short or moderately short (fig. 3j). 3: frons without proclinate or praevertical setae (fig. 3j), at narrowest part at most thrice as wide as (Weberia), but usually not wider than, ocellar tubercle.

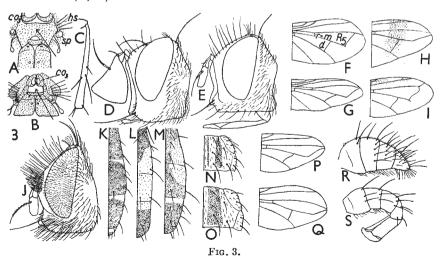
Parasites of Coleoptera as far as known Dufourini (p. 21).

8 (3) Only the hindmost post ia seta present. Hind tibiae without a pv apical spur (fig. 2F) and with at most a d and ad preapical (fig. 2R). Scutellum often with only two pairs of marginal setae (fig. 2P). Parasites of Heteroptera (Xysta?) Phasiini (p. 25).

Tribe Leucostomatini.

KEY TO GENERA AND SPECIES.

1 (2) R_5 with a long stalk; r-m beyond middle of discal cell (fig. 3F, d). Pollinosity of parafrontalia and parafacialia greyish white. Thorax with distinct vittae, very thinly whitish dusted; abdomen glossy black, without discals. (Figs. 2c, T, 3F). 4-4.5 mm.



Hosts unknown, foreign species in Enoplops scapha F., Liorhyssus hyalinus F., Rhopalus subrufus Gmel., etc. (COREIDAE), Lygaeus (LYGAEIDAE), and Nabis (NABIDAE). Sussex, Hants., Bucks., Norfolk. vii-viii

Leucostoma simplex Fallén.

2 (1) R_5 open or closed in margin, not petiolate; r-m basad of middle of discal cell (fig. 3c). Parafrontalia and parafacialia golden dusted. Thorax whitish dusted with four narrow black vittae, the paramedian two coalescing behind suture; abdomen conspicuously dusted; with rather irregular median discals. Fig. 3g. 6.5-7.5 mm.

Hosts unknown: a foreign species parasitizes Dicranomerus (Coreidae). Putsborough, N. Devon, e.vii-b.viii, sand dunes, around Senecio jacobaea

Dionaea aurifrons Meigen.

Tribe OCYPTERINI.

KEY TO GENERA AND SPECIES.

1 (2) R_5 open at apex (fig. 3H). Anterior post ia weaker than posterior one (see fig. 2c). Wings with a suffused transverse band before apex (fig. 3H). 1(2) +0 very fine (often hairlike) stpl. Abdomen (fig. 3k) wholly black with thinly white-dusted basal bands; without discals. Thorax black with whitish dusted shoulders and median vitta. Third antennal segment axe-shaped, more so in male. 3: fig. 3D, H, K. 8-10 mm.

Bred from Aelia (Pentatomidae). Kent to Hants. to Gloucs. to Cambs. Co.

Kerry. e.vii-m.viii Lophosia fasciata Meigen.

(1) R_5 closed and stalked at apex (fig. 31). Anterior post ia much stronger than posterior one. Wings not banded. Third antennal segment not axeshaped, almost parallel-sided (fig. 3E). 1+1 or 2+1 (see fig. 4F) strong stpl. 6 Abdomen largely reddish orange on anterior segments, with or without a black median vitta (fig. 3L and M) Ocyptera (p. 21).

Genus Ocyptera Latreille, 1804.

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (2) Three pairs of scutellars, apical ones much smaller and decussate. Abdomen without discals (fig. 31). r_1 much exceeding level of r-m. The exterior, broader undusted vittae of thorax separated from the linear paramedian vittae by a whitish-dusted stripe (fig. 3n). Black median vitta of abdomen almost always broadly interrupted on third and posterior part of second segment. 10-13 mm.

Parasite of Pentatomidae (Dolycoris, Holcostethus, Palomena). Cornwall: Lizard. Co. Cork: Glengarriff. b.viii brassicaria Fabricius.

2 (1) Only one (the subapical) pair of scutellars distinct, strong and diverging. Abdomen (fig. 3m) with discals (often 2-3 pairs behind each other) on first to third segments and with marginals. r_1 exceeding level of r-m by at most length of latter (fig. 31). The exterior undusted vittae of the thorax fused with the paramedian vittae into a pair of very broad vittae (fig. 30). Black median vitta of abdomen complete and well-defined. of: fig. 3E, I, M, O. 6-7.5 mm.

> Hosts unknown. Surrey, Sussex to Devon, Cambs., Suffolk. e.v-e.vi, e.vii-b ix interrupta Meigen.

Tribe Dufouriini.

KEY TO GENERA.

- 1 (2) m-m closer to bend than to r-m (fig. 3r). Eyes conspicuously hairy (fig. 3r).
 2 strong and widely separated post ia. Species with ovate abdomen, the first segment not or only slightly longer than the second. Glossy black with
- ⁶ Only 1 stpl (see fig. 4g) and only one (the subapical) pair of marginal scutellars distinct, strong and diverging. Abdomen without discals. 5-6.5 mm. O. (Ocypterula) pusilla Meigen. (The British record is almost certainly due to a confusion with O. interrupta.)

slight dust on shoulders, etc. Abdomen (fig. 3R) with strong discals and marginals. Parafrontalia broadly setose anteriorly (fig. 31). Halteres fuscous. 3 strong post dc. S: from at narrowest part not more than twice

2 (1) m-m at middle or closer to r-m than to bend (fig. 3q), nearly upright. Eyes bare. Often a small third (most anterior) post ia present. Mid tibia with only

one or without an ad.

3 (6) R₅ with a conspicuous stalk (fig. 4c-E). Inner margin of lower calyptra closely adjacent to lateral margin of scutellum (fig. 41 \(\)), converging posteriorly with longitudinal axis; lower calyptra of male fuscous. prst ia as a rule distinct. 3: from very narrow (seldom approaching width of third antennal segment).

4 (5) Stalk of R_5 shorter than r-m (fig. 4c), extending the longitudinal axis of R_5 , i.e., joining both r_{4+5} and m at an obtuse angle, apex of R_5 acute, bend of m obtusely rounded. Two pairs of strong marginal scutellars in addition to the apical pair, lateral ones especially strong and strongly diverging (fig. 4J). Hind tibia with three subequal d preapicals (see fig. 2Q). Body and legs (and antennae and palpi of male) fuscous black; the head, sides of thorax, the part in front of scutellum, and anterior triangles on the abdominal segments silver-white dusted (fig. 4L); the black undusted pattern of thorax forming a pair of paramedian vittae and of diverging spots from neck backward. ♂: halteres fuscous. ♀: halteres infuscate reddish; calyptrae whitish; antennae and palpi orange. Fig. 4c, J, L. 2.5-4.5 mm. (Campogaster Rond.).

Parasite of adult Sitona (Curcul.). Kent to Hants. to Hereford to Worcs. to Surrey. b.-e.v, m.vi-b.vii, b.-m.viii Syntomogaster exigua Meigen.

5 (4) Stalk of R_5 about as long as apical cross-vein or m-m, prolonging r_{4+5} to the margin (fig. 4D and E), i.e., joining m at an obtuse to almost right angle but not r_{4+5} . Hind tibia with only two strong preapicals (see fig. 2n). Disc of thorax with almost uniform pollinosity, which is dark brown and thin in male, pale grey and rather dense in female........... Graphogaster (p. 23).

6 (3) R_5 open, seldom (individually) closed in margin (fig. 4m and N). Either inner margin of lower calyptra strongly diverging from scutellar margin and longitudinal axis (fig. $4\kappa \uparrow$), or calyptrae whitish at least in male. r_{4+5} ending in

wing tip (fig. 4m and N). Halteres fuscous.

7 (10) Free inner margin of lower calyptra rather straight, converging backwards with longitudinal axis of fly, closely adjacent to lateral margin of scutellum for some distance, and more abruptly turning outwards (see fig. $4J \uparrow$).

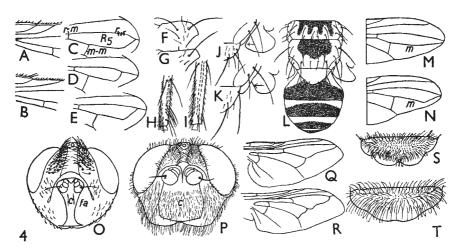


Fig. 4.

- 9 (8) m broadly and evenly curved from m-m to apex, without a defined bend (fig. 4M). Disc of thorax without setae, except for 1 dc and 1 ia in front of scutellum; 1 stpl. Abdomen with only short decumbent hairs. Parafrontalia with a band of setulae outside the row of frontal setae; parafacialia with a single (3) or multiple (2) row of setulae. Wholly glossy black, base of tibiae and some sutures yellowish translucent, antennae pale brownish. 2: fifth abdominal segment long, doubled back under abdomen, terminal segments retractile but ending in a claw-shaped piercer. Fig. 4M. 3·4-4·5 mm.

Parasite of adult Carabias (Carabias, Harpalus), the integument of the host being probably pierced by the female when depositing the eggs; several larvae develop in one host specimen and pupate in it. Suffolk: Brandon, 22.vi; Berks.: Tubney, 17.vii. Perth: Pitlochry.... Freraea albipennis Zetterstedt.

10 (7) Free inner margin of lower calyptra strongly convex, diverging from lateral margin of scutellum and longitudinal axis of fly from base onwards and passing gradually into the strongly rounded apical margin (fig. 4κ). m with a well-defined obtusely rounded bend, apical cross-vein somewhat concave (fig. 4n). Disc of thorax with 2 + 3 long and strong dc and usually distinct prsc; 2 stpl. Abdomen with long and erect marginals and discals; hair long and erect in male, decumbent in female. Parafacialia bare. Wholly fuscous-black, moderately shining, with thin dark-brown dust; palpi brown (δ) or orange (\$\parallel\$). Fig. 4κ, N. 3·5-4·5 mm.

Larva in Chrysomelinae (Plagiodera). Inverness: nr. Grantown-on-Spey, e.vi-m.vii, numerous on aspen Ptilopsina nitens Zetterstedt.

Genus Minella Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

(= Dufouria Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830, Villeneuve, 1929)

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (2) Costal spine small (somewhat shorter than r-m) (fig. 4A). Second abdominal segment with only 2(-3) discals near median line. β : from at narrowest part less wide than occllar tubercle. Fig. 4A. $4\cdot 3-5\cdot 0$ mm.

Genus Graphogaster Rondani, 1868.

KEY TO SPECIES.

G. fasciata has been placed in Syntomogaster, and it may be the most natural course to unite the two genera.

A non-British species is known to parasitize adult weevils.

1 (2) Mid-tibia with an av seta (see fig. 3c). Stalk of R_5 joining r_{4+5} in an even slight curve, while joining m (apical cross-vein) at an obtuse angle (fig. 4E). 3 strong and long $post\ dc$, and often a weaker fourth between the first and second; lateral scutellars strong, subapical ones moderately strong. Abdominal segments 2-4 with strong and very long marginals and discals. Fuscous-black.

male with slight brown-grey dust at shoulders, etc., female densely grey dusted with 2 or 4 narrow brown vittae on thorax and brown hind margins on abdominal segments. \circ : parafrontalia twice as wide above middle as interfrontalia. 3.5-4.5 mm.

The pupa has been found under bark. N. Scotland: Sutherland: Glen Shin: Moray: Culbin Sands. Inverness: nr. Grantown-on-Spey; Loch Garten; Once Kent: Tunbridge Wells. e.vi-m.vii, b.viii..brunnescens Villeneuve.

2 (1) Mid tibia without an av submedian seta. Stalk of R₅ forming an angle of about 170° with r₄₊₅, whilst the apical cross-vein joins this point at almost right angles (fig. 4D). 4 subequal strong but not long post dc; lateral and subapical scutellars indistinct (see fig. 4K). Abdomen with fine and often in part indistinct marginals and discals. Fuscous-black, interfrontalia, ground-colour of abdomen, and in female antennae (wholly or largely), palpi, femora and tibiae orange; abdomen with broad fuscous hind margins. ♀: parafrontalia narrower than interfrontalia. Fig. 4D. 2·6-3·7 mm.

Kent to Dorset to Hereford to Norfolk. Inverness: Aviemore. m.v-m.vi. fasciata Macquart.

Genus Weberia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (2) Only I post ia. 2(3) + 1 stpl (fig. 4F). Hind tibia with a whole tuft of d and ad preapicals (fig. 4H). Metasternum normal, broadly membraneous behind hind coxae (see fig. 3B). Thorax rather densely dusted, in front with a pair of faint linear diverging dark vittae and a more conspicuous paired black spot. Abdomen thinly dusted; second segment less than twice as wide as long. Fig. 4F, H. 4·5-7 mm.

Hosts unknown. Hereford: Mains Wood; Sussex: Guestling, Hastings.

2 (1) 2 Strong post ia. 0(1) + 1 stpl (fig. 4g). Hind tibia with the normal 1 d and 1 ad preapical (fig. 41). Metasternum fused behind hind coxae, forming a broad sclerotized bridge (see fig. 3A). Thorax black and glossy, in front with a paired faint white-dusted vitta along the dc. Abdomen black and glossy; second segment more than twice as wide as long. ♂: frons more than a fifth head-width; verticals strong. ♀: last abdominal segments (fig. 3s) long and striking, curved forward below abdomen. Figs. 3Q, s, 4g, I. 3·6-5 mm. (funesta Meigen of Stein, curvicauda auct., nec Fallén).

A related non-British species (3 frons narrower than antennae; verticals absent: curvicauda Fln.) is a parasite of Carabidae (Amara, Harpalus). Kent to Sussex to Worcs. to Notts. to Norfolk. Channel Is. m.v, b.vi, e.vi, m.vii-b.ix.....pseudofunesta Villeneuve.

Tribe OESTRINI.

2 (1) Clypeus narrow, much narrower than facial ridges, bare (fig. 40, c). Prosternal sclerite hairy, membrane bare. Thorax with coarse sculpture and pustules, without glossy longitudinal weals. R₅ stalked (fig. 4R). Abdomen with sparse short hairs on small shining black tubercles; tergites with a shifting mottled pattern of blackish and silver-grey spots. Fig. 40, R. 10-11-5 mm.

Larvae are deposited singly during flight near the nostrils, and they develop in the nasal and frontal (sometimes maxillary) cavities, of sheep (seldom of goat or man, where they have also been found in ear and eye, producing in the latter conjunctivitis which lasts for a few days). Symptoms in man are usually neither serious nor long-lasting, since the larva appears to be unable to reach the second instar in man. Kent to Cornwall to Gloucs. to Norfolk, Derby, Notts. Forth District. m.v., e.vi-b.ix. Sheep Nostril Fly.

Oestrus ovis Linnaeus.

Genus Hypoderma Latreille, 1825 = Warble flies.

The females attach their eggs to hairs of the host, especially on and near the legs, and the larvae penetrate the body at the base of the hair, wandering through the intermuscular connective tissues and forming at last on the back of the host a "warble" with an opening to the outside. The last two instars, which have no functional mouth-hooks, are spent in the warble, and the mature larva pupates on the ground. In man the eye is sometimes affected, with serious results. All three species are probably able to complete their development in man, and the symptoms are therefore much more severe than in infections by Oestrus.

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (2) Second antennal segment black or piceous. Abdomen with moderately dense pale-yellow hair. Margin of scutellum (fig. 4s) with a deep median notch and a less deep notch on either side, thus forming four glossy black, very conspicuous lobes, since the hair is weakly developed. 3: frons a quarter head-width; hind metatarsus shorter than the combined length of the next three segments. S: fig. 4P, s. 10-12 mm.

Normally in red deer and roe deer. Perth to Sutherland. b.-e.vi. Deerfly diana Brauer.

3 (1) Second antennal segment light brown to testaceous. Apex of abdomen with dense rufous-yellow fur, which contrasts with the dark hair of the intermediate part. Margin of scutellum with at most a very slight and broad median emargination (fig. 4T). β : from a third head-width, metatarsus of hind leg about as long as the following three segments together. φ : frons almost one-half head-width.

2 (4) Smaller and more slender. Hair of thorax almost uniformly yellowish grey

to brown. Fig. 4q. 10·5-12 mm.

Normally in cattle, sometimes in horses, goats and even man, apparently more ready to infest abnormal hosts than bovis. Sussex to Devon to Brecknock to Suffolk, Notts. Outer Hebrides. Shetland Is. e.iv,m.v-e,vi

lineatum Villers.

4 (3) More bumble-bee-like. Anterior half of thorax with yellow hair which contrasts strongly with the fuscous-black hair of the posterior part. Fig. 4T. 12-14 mm.

In cattle, seldom in horses, goats and occasionally man. Surrey to Devon to Gloucs, to Suffolk, Derby, Lancs, Forth district, b.vi-e.vii

bovis Linnaeus.

Tribe Phasiini.

All species (Xysta?) are parasites of Heteroptera, especially Pentatomòidea, female hosts being apparently preferred. The egg is either stuck to the integument of the host (all British genera except Alophora) or injected through the integument by means of a piercer (Alophora). The mature larvae leave the host for pupation, and the bug often survives for some days. (Biology: Dupuis, 1947, Ann. Paras. hum. comp. 22: 201-232, 397-441; etc.)

KEY TO GENERA.

- 1 (8) Abdominal sutures distinct on dorsal and ventral surfaces (fig. 5A-c), abdomen more or less flattened, the edge more pronounced, tergites finely punc-
- (7) Abdomen with rather strong marginal setae, which are more than half as long
- as a segment (fig. 5A, B). R_5 narrowly open or closed in margin.

 3 (4) Abdomen wholly dark in ground-colour. Densely, and second to fourth abdominal segments uniformly, grey dusted; thorax with five black vittae, the median three sometimes fused. Abdomen without discals but with marginals at least on the third and fourth segments (fig. 5B). Parafrontalia with a single row of inclinate setae and at most a few hairs closely adjacent (fig. 5F).

Halteres yellowish. β : Mid tibia without a distinct av seta; claws and pulvilli very long. 7-8 mm.

4 (3) Abdomen largely brownish yellow.

- 5 (6) Legs and antennae black. Head and dorsal surface of thorax densely golden dusted; scutellum wholly fuscous-black in ground-colour. Occiput without black hair behind upper part of occipital row (fig. 5E). Basal part of wings orange. Apical abdominal segments and a median vitta infuscate. S: from one-fourth head-width at vertex. Fig. 5A and E. 4-6 mm.

 Parasite of Eurydema (Pentatomidae). Probably not British.
- Clytiomyia continua Panzer.

 6 (5) Legs, except tarsi and to some extent apex of tibiae, yellow, as are palpi and antennae. Parafrontalia silver white dusted, thorax grey-dusted, rather dark, with an indication of three vittae; apex of scutellum yellow. A row of black hairs behind upper part of occipital row. Wings only slightly tinged. Abdomen with small transverse black lateral spots and, in male, 1-2 small spots on median line. 3: frons one-seventh head-width at vertex. 4-5 mm.

 Parasite of Elasmucha grisea L.(Acanthosomidae). Hants.: Farley Down and Breamore. v, vi, ix Subclytia rotundiventris Fallen.

7 (2) Abdomen without distinct marginal setae (fig. 5c). R₅ stalked, stalk never much shorter than r-m (fig. 5k-m). ♀: ovipositor piercer-like, free, hardly exceeding apex of abdomen (fig. 5c, h-J); eyes subcontiguous as in male.
Alophora p. (27).

8 (1) Abdominal sutures obsolete, abdomen subglobular (fig. 5D), tergites rather coarsely and scabrously punctured. R₅ petiolate, stalk shorter⁶ than r-m (fig. 5n). Only 1 stpl. Abdomen without setae but with fine short even hairs (fig. 5D); testaceous with a black median spot on each segment; interfrontalia, dull orange, legs and ground-colour of thorax black. J: parafrontalia, upper part of parafacialia, and thorax to beyond suture golden dusted.

**sa Stalk twice as long as r-m, R_5 as in fig. 4E. Antennae about half length of face, third segment not much longer than wide. Glossy black, with dense pale dust on most of head, shoulders and pleurae. $\[\varphi \]$: entirely black, dust whitish. $\[\sigma \]$: abdomen much as in $\[Gymnosoma \]$, the rather broad parafrontalia and the anterior half of thorax densely golden dusted. $\[3.5-5mm. \]$ 1 $\[\varphi \]$ Portsdown, S. Hants., 7.vi.54 (D. J. Clark!). 1 $\[\sigma \]$: St. Brelades, Jresey, 12.ix.46 (C.J. Wainwright!). Parasite of Aelia. Cistogaster globosa F.

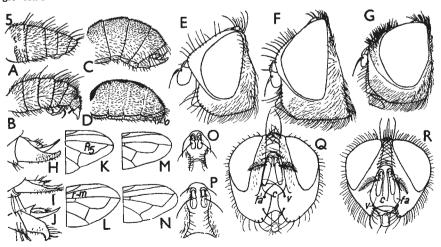


Fig. 5.

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Q: ovipositor retractile, telescoped, but with sclerotized plate (fig. 5D, o); anterior half of parafrontalia pale golden dusted, posterior half and thorax glossy black, dusted about the shoulders. 4.5-8 mm. (Rhodogyne Meigen,

Parasite of most British Pentatomidae, also attacking Cydnidae abroad. Sussex; Surrey; Hampstead, N. London. Co. Cork; Co. Kerry. vi-b.ix Gymnosoma rotundatum Linnaeus.

Genus Alophora Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (4) Parafrontalia setulose outwards to the (double) row of frontal setae (fig. 5a), which sometimes are not clearly differentiated from the setulae. Halteres yellowish. Thorax with some pale dust, especially at shoulders. \circ : ovipositor and its sheath up curved at apex (fig. 5H and I).

Stalk of R_5 about as long as r-m (fig. 5κ); bend of m more or less obtuse, often with the vestige of an appendage, apical cross-vein somewhat sinuate, its general direction running towards r_{4+5} at an angle of about 45°; r_1 ending beyond level of r-m. Hair of pleurae and the basal part of hind femora reddish. Black with purplish reflections, abdomen to a varying extent yellowish at sides, the wings of the male as a rule considerably broadened, yellowish tinged, normally with a fuscous suffusion at apex, another along costa between h and apex of r_1 , and a third along m from base to apex of discal cell; wings of female of normal shape and only slightly yellowish tinged on basal anterior part. Fig. 5c, g, H, K and P. 8-12-5 mm. (Sbg. Alophora s. str).

> Hosts unknown. Sussex to Cornwall to Merioneth to Yorks. Co. Waterford, e.iv-b.viiihemiptera Fabricius.

3 (2) Stalk of R_s almost twice as long as r-m (fig. 5L); bend of \tilde{m} very strongly arched, apical cross-vein continuing the curve, not sinuate, joining $r_{4+\delta}$ at an angle of about $70-80^{\circ}$; r_1 ending about at level of r-m. Hair of pleurae and the legs all black. Wholly black, abdomen with brassy reflections and thin grey dust, thorax with moderately dense whitish dust and four conspicuous black vittae; wings hyaline. Fig. 51, L and O. 3-7 mm. (Sbg. Hyalomyia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.)

Hosts unknown. England. Scotland. Ireland. Generally distributed. e.ivm.viii obesa Fabricius.

4 (1) Parafrontalia bare outwards to the (double) row of frontal setae, the latter well developed. Halteres fuscous. Thorax without any pale dust, thinly dark brown dusted. Stalk of R_5 several times the length of r-m (fig. 5m); bend of m strongly arched. Hair of pleurae, body and legs all black; face whitish dusted, the last three abdominal segments in posterior view not very densely whitish dusted, with vestiges of a black median vitta; wings of male often smoky. 2: ovipositor sheath strongly curved downward at apex, laterally compressed (fig. 51). Fig. 51 and M. 2-5 mm. (Sbg. Parallophora Girschn., 1887.)

Parasite of Cydnus (Cydnidae) and Chilacis (Lygaeidae). Kent to Cornwall to Notts. Inverness. Channel Is. b.v-m.ix...... pusilla Meigen.

Subfamily DEXIINAE.

Tribe DEXIINI.

All species deposit fully incubated eggs or young larvae at places frequented by larvae of beetles, especially chafers. The young larvae burrow through the soil or frass in search of a host, into which they penetrate, probably through a spiracle. The mature larva abandons the host, sometimes not before the latter has pupated.

KEY TO GENERA.

1 (2) Vibrissa near middle of face (fig. 50, v), facial ridges (fa) at level of vibrissae almost supplanting clypeus (c), the latter reduced to a small oval excavate area, without a median keel and restricted to length of antenna. Arista densely plumose, not longer than third antennal segment, which is elongate

(fig. 6a). 3 post dc. Appendage of bend more than half as long as m-m; apical cross-vein and tip of r_{4+5} subparallel for a distance almost equal to length of appendage (fig. 6a). First abdominal segment without setae, second and third with marginals. Body fuscous-black with dense vellowish-to greyish-golden dust, thorax with four conspicuous vittae: abdomen with broad dark hind margins; antennae, palpi and legs pale. Figs. 5q, 6a and E. 8-13 mm. (Subtribe Dexiosomina.)

Parasite of cockchafer larvae (Melolontha). England. Scotland. Ireland.

Common on bracken in semi-wooded places. b.vi-b.ix.

Dexiosoma caninum Fabricius.

2 (1) Vibrissa inserted less highly (fig. 5R, v), sometimes not differentiated, clypeus (c) not supplanted by the facial ridges (fa), conspicuous to mouth-marzin.

- 3 (14) Hind tibiae (fig. 6c) with only two dorsal preapicals (except in 3 Atropidomyia), with a distinct (though sometimes small) pv apical seta (fig. 6c, pv). Arista plumose, except in Atropidomyia, where it has, however, conspicuous half-erect hairs, which on intermediate third are about twice the length of its basal diameter. 3: from without proclinate orbital setae; \$\hat{\phi}\$ with only two.

5 (4) Proboscis not longer than height of head (fig. 61, κ); mouth-margin not projecting between vibrissae. (Subtribe Dexiina.)

- 6 (11) Propleural depression (fig. 61, p) setulose (sometimes with only 1-2 black hairs!). Second and third abdominal segments without discal setae. Facial ridges not or hardly converging below (fig. 5n); vibrissae almost as widely separated as peristomal setae of anterior third of mouth margin. Ground-colour of abdomen wholly blackish.
- 7 (10) Apical scutellars strong, at least about two-thirds the length of the subapical ones (fig. 6M). Parafacialia bare (figs. 5R, 6J). First abdominal segment with marginals, except in \$\times carinifrons\$. Pollinosity greyish white; thorax with five vittae, the middle three linear but tending to coalesce; abdomen with shifting dark spots.

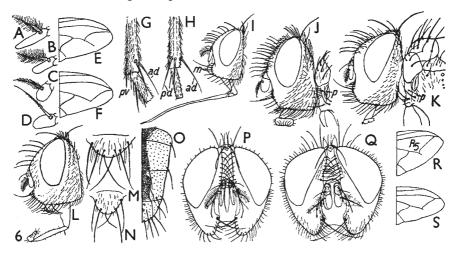


Fig. 6.

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8 (9) Face with a broad and large median keel (fig. 5R). Vibrissal angles conspicuously produced, the length of the head at that point almost as great as the height; jowls bare and reddish on almost anterior half; parafrontalia almost bare on anterior half. The two posterior ia only present; 3 strong post dc. ♀: first tergite without marginals. Figs. 5R, 6B, G. 4·5-10 mm. (Sbg. Myiocera Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.)

Hosts unknown, related species in larvae of Lucanidae, Melolonthinae, Cetoniinae and Cerambycidae. England. Wales. Scotland. Hebrides. e.v-b.x. Billaea carinifrons Fallén.

9 (8) Face without a median keel, Vibrissal angles not much produced, head much higher than long (fig. 6J); jowls setulose and dark, except on anterior fourth; parafrontalia conspicuously setulose almost to anterior extremity. Three post ia; 4 strong post dc. ♀: first tergite with strong marginals. Fig. 6c, J, M. 7-9 mm. ("smerinthi" Meade, not ex S[merinthus] populi but ex S[aperda] populnea.)

Parasite of the larva of Saperda populnea L. (CERAMBYCIDAE). Kent to

Hants. to Worcs. to Oxon. Edinburgh. m.v, m.vii-m.viii.

Atropidomyia irrorata Meigen.

10 (7) Apical scutellars small, up to about half as long as the subapical ones (fig. 6n). Parafacialia setulose, though often sparsely (fig. 6l). First abdominal segment without marginals ($\mathfrak{J}\mathfrak{P}$). R_5 normally closed in margin. Face with a weakly developed median keel. Vibrissal angles conspicuously produced and raised. Fuscous, anterior lower part of head brownish orange; densely cinereous dusted, thorax with four narrow vittae; abdomen evenly dusted; interfrontalia, base of antennae, palpi and legs pale testaceous, tarsi and often femora fuscous. Fig. 6L, N. 4·5–8·5 mm.

Parasite of larva of Harpalus (s. str.) sp. (aeneus ??; Carabidae) (!!), an unnamed species recorded abroad as parasite of Serica larvae (Melolonthinae). Kent to Cornwall to Pembs. to Ches. to Norfolk, Lancs. m.vi-e.viii

Dinera grisescens Fallén.

11 (6) Propleural depression bare (fig. 6κ, p). Second and third abdominal segments (except usually in Q D. rustica) with discals (and marginals) (fig. 7ε, c). Facial ridges strongly converging below (fig. 6ε, Q); vibrissae much less widely separated than the peristomal setae of the anterior third of mouth margin (except in Estheria cristata).

14 (3) Hind tibiae with three subequal dorsal preapicals (fig. 6H), and without a pv apical seta. Arista appearing bare, the hairs being decumbent and hardly half the length of its basal diameter (fig. 6D). Propleural depression bare (see fig. 6κ, p). Bend of m with a distinct appendage (fig. 7F). Stoutish species with short-ovate abdomen. (Subtribe Trixina.)

Genus Prosena Lepeletier & Serville, 1828.

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (2) Abdomen not uniformly grey-dusted, in male largely testaceous with a moderately broad fuscous median vitta and fuscous apex, the testaceous parts only thinly cinereous dusted, in female fuscous, densely grey dusted with dark brown dust about the marginals and often along the whole of the hind margins. 3: some of the hair on disc of thorax yellowish, especially near suture. Figs. 6F. I. 7A. 7:5-10:5 mm.

2 (1) Abdomen uniformly grey-dusted, in male not or very slightly testaceous at sides, in female without dark brown dust. 5: hair on disc of thorax all black. 6-8 mm. (Perhaps only a variation of siberita.)

Genus Dexia Meigen, 1826.

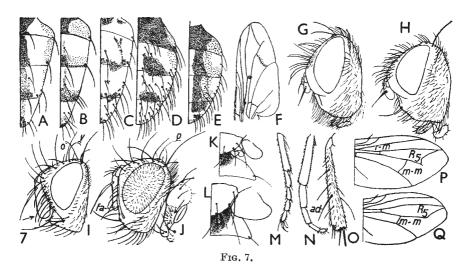
1 (2) Abdomen (fig. 7B) with a distinct undusted or dark-dusted band on hind margin of each segment, the third and fourth segments of male with a narrow piceous hind margin, the dark median vitta hardly noticeable to the naked eye. Normally 1 ph, 1 + 1 stpl, only two (the two posterior) post ia, and 1 + 1 acr. Pruinosity evenly cinereous grey to golden yellow, paramedian vittae of thorax almost reaching middle between first and second post dc. ♀: with discals on intermediate abdominal segments. ♂: figs. 2k, 6p, 7B. 6·5-10·5 mm.

Parasite of larvae of Melolontha and probably of other Melolonthinae. England. Wales. Scotland. Generally distributed. b.iv, m.vii-e.viii, m.x.....vacua Fallén.

2 (1) Abdomen (fig. 6 o) without contrasting hind margins, the pale pollinosity being almost evenly distributed on disc from base to hind margin, the ground-colour in male without piceous hind margins but with the dark median vitta rather conspicuous to the naked eye. Normally 2-3 ph, 2 + 1 stpl, 3 post ia and more than 1 + 1 strong acr. Paramedian vittae of thorax hardly exceeding the first post dc. ♀: usually without discals on abdominal segments. ♂: fig. 6o; ♀ fig. 1m. 7-12 mm.

Parasite of larvae of Melolontha, Amphimallon and probably Serica and other Melolonthinae. (Biology: Walker, Proc. zool. Soc. Lond. (A) 1943: 126.) Surrey to Cornwall to Merioneth to Notts, to Norfolk. b.vii-e.viii.

rustica Fabricius.



Genus Estheria Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (2) Three post dc (see fig. 10g). Stalk of R₅ markedly shorter than r-m (fig. 6R). Scutellum rufous. Abdomen with conspicuous shifting blackish spots, which in posterior view occupy more than half the length of the segments on one side. Parafrontalia, parafacialia, occiput, thorax but for scutellum, legs but for tibiae, and abdomen fuscous-black with conspicuous cinereous dust. 3: fig. 6k and R. 8:5-10:5 mm.

Kent to Hants. to Hereford to Norfolk. b.vii-b.ix...... cristata Meigen.

2 (1) Four post dc (see fig. 10H). Stalk of R_5 almost twice as long as r.m (fig. 6s). Ground-colour of scutellum fuscous-black like that of the thorax, coloration otherwise as in cristata, but abdomen (fig. 7c) almost evenly dusted with only a few slight less extended and easily overlooked shifting spots. 3: figs. 6q, s, 7c. 7.5-9.5 mm.

Only British record: Sutherland, 1877bohemani Rondani.

Genus Trixa Meigen, 1824.

1 (2) Transverse veins and node at base of r_{4+5} conspicuously infuscate (fig. 7f). Femora dark brown to black but for the apex. Vibrissa conspicuous (fig. 7h). Abdomen in male (fig. 7e) with testaceous sides, thorax with four interrupted black vittae on the white-dusted ground, the pattern shifting in very small units; abdomen, if the light comes from in front, with a more densely white-dusted narrow median vitta and with a more or less undusted broad band on hind margin. $\Im \varphi$: parafrontalia with numerous proclinate orbital setae, similar to the inclinate frontals. \Im : figs. 6h, 7e, f, H. \Im : fig. 6d. 8-13 mm.

England. Scotland. Wales. Generally distributed. b.v-m.ix oestroidea Robineau-Desvoidy.

2 (1) Transverse veins and node not infuscate though all veins are somewhat yellowish suffused. Femora reddish yellow, but often infuscate along dorsal surface. Vibrissa not differentiated (fig. 7g). Ground-colour black, shoulders and apex of scutellum more or less ferruginous translucent; thoracic vittae as in *oestroidea*, but reflections hardly shifting, testaceous sides of male abdomen (fig. 7D) much narrower, more indented, more dusted and therefore much less conspicuous; the dark transverse bands (δ ?) rather broadly interrupted on median line. δ: parafrontalia with fine setulose hairs only, much finer and shorter than the inclinate frontals. δ: fig. 7D and G. 8.5–13 mm. (= alpina Meigen of authors, nec Meigen.)

Kent to Hants. to Hereford to Oxon. m.iv-m.vi.... coerulescens Meigen.

Subfamily MACQUARTHNAE.

KEY TO TRIBES.

1 (16) Mouth-margin not projecting between vibrissae if viewed in profile (fig. 71, 1), very seldom distinctly projecting (Stenoparia), in this case the basal dorsal excavation of the abdomen not exceeding middle of first segment (fig. 7k), the parafacialia wholly setulose (fig. 10q), the mid tibia with only one ad seta, and m ending virtually at wing-tip (fig. 10s). Not fuscous with redtipped abdomen (i.e., fourth tergite in ♀ and hypopygium in ♂ red) and scutellum, if the frontal setae descend below level of arista.

2 (15) Fore tarsi not, or not strikingly, compressed laterally (fig. 7m); if they are somewhat compressed, the single segments somewhat broadened apically,

with conspicuous setulose hairs.

3 (10) Occiput with numerous black setulae (fig. 71) behind upper half of occipital row.⁷

7 But see Graphogaster fasciata \mathcal{Q} , which may trace here: r_1 bare, R_5 with a long stalk, antennae, legs, etc., largely orange.

4 (5) Basal excavation of abdomen not or hardly exceeding middle (fig. 7κ), except sometimes when (in British species) the inner margin of the lower calyptra is strongly convex and diverging posteriorly from the longitudinal axis of the fly (fig. 9L). Mid tibia with two or more strong ad setae (fig. 7c), or, if with only 0-1, tibiae black. Scutellum (fig. 7κ, L) without erect discal setae on basal half, as a rule with only 1-2 pairs of strong marginals (in addition to any decussate apicals); if with three pairs, the hind tibiae with three practically equal d (i.e., ad, d and pd) preapicals or R₅ with a long stalk (fig. 7p). Prosternum bare⁸, except sometimes in Pelatachina.

Macquartini (p. 34).

5 (4) Basal dorsal excavation of abdomen reaching or virtually reaching hind margin (fig. 7L), less often not or hardly exceeding middle; in these latter cases either the mid tibiae yellow and with only 0-1 ad, or the scutellum with some erect discal setae on basal half (fig. 9v, w) and the parafacialia with a row of strong setae (fig. 71). Lower calyptra of normal structure, the inner margin closely adjacent to margin of scutellum and converging posteriorly with longitudinal axis of fly (fig. 7L).

3 (9) Subapical seta of scutellum weak or absent; lateral seta strong, the distal one of the strong setae (apart from the apical ones) therefore almost or fully as distant from apex as from base of scutellum (fig. 9v, w). Mid tibia with

one or more ad setae. Palpi well developed.

7 (8) Facial ridges bare or with only some fine, downward-curved setulae on lower part. Parafacialia with a row of strong setae, which are curved downward (fig. 71, ↑). Ocellars proclinate (fig. 71, o). Propleural depression bare. Bend of m with a short appendage; m-m joining m at right angles¹0; R₅ stalked.

⁸ Prosternum with at least one pair of black bristles, and reclinate upper frontals well developed. Scutellum with three pairs of strong marginals. Hind tibia with 2-3 d preapicals and a small pv apical spur. See Trichopareia, p. 62.

⁹ The apical (?) scutellars very strong and diverging, the subapical ones as under 6; bend of m with an appendage, apical cross-vein ending well before wing-tip, the whole fly bright metallic green or blue, very seldom purple black; see Gymnochaeta (Ernes-

tiina), with only slightly projecting mouth margin.

 16 m-m very oblique, even more so than apical cross-vein (fig. 16F), the upper distal angle of the discal cell therefore acute; bend of m prolonged by a darkened fold or an appendage. Two reclinate frontal setae present (fig. 21c, π , π), which are not differentiated in Wagneriini. Occiput without black setulae behind upper half of occipital row. See VORINI, p. 68.

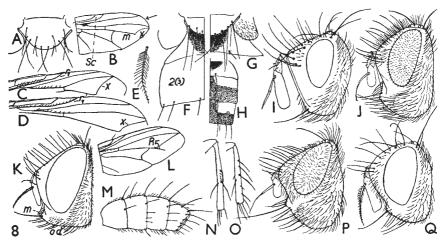


Fig. 8.

9 (6) Scutellum almost always with at least three pairs of strong marginals at sides (see fig. 9A), the second and third diverging (usually in addition to a pair of apical setae), the most distal of these diverging setae never much more than half as distant (and often less) from apex as from base (fig. 6A); if with only two pairs of strong marginals (fig. 8A), the mid tibia without an ad seta and the palpi vestigial. Apical cross-vein ending almost in wing tip, from which its apex is separated by not or little more than length of r-m (except in Loewia); costal sector (fig. 8B, ↑) between apices of r₂₊₃ and r₄₊₅ much longer than Sc, except in Hyalurgus; bend of m without an appendage or fold.

ĤELOCERINI (p. 41).

Occiput with only or almost only pale hair behind occipital row (fig. 81, J). Subbasal and subapical marginals of scutellum strong, the latter closer to apex than to base (fig. 8r, o). Apical cross-vein ending well before wing tip, from which it is separated by considerably more than length of r-m (fig. 8c, D). Mid tibiae with several strong ad setae (see figs. 70, 80).

11 (14) r_1 setulose on dorsal surface (fig. 8c, D). Lateral scutellars absent or weak

fig. 8F). Eyes bare. Lower calyptra bare.

12 (13) Arista bare (pollinose), geniculate, the first segment very short, the second elongate and subequal to the third (fig. 81). r_1 setulose (fig. 8c) on middle section only (i.e., between levels of h and apex of sc). pv apical spur of hind tibia well developed (see fig. 2E). First tergite without marginals, second without discals (fig. 8F). Facial ridges bristled on lower third or more (fig. 81). First post ia absent. Scutellum with a pair of conspicuous diverging preapical discals just in front of the cruciate apicals (fig. 8F). Frons at vertex much wider than an eye ($\mathfrak{J}^{\mathbb{Q}}$)............GERMARIINI (p. 44).

13 (12) Arista plumose, not geniculate, the basal two segments short (fig. 8E). r_1 setulose on middle and, to a less extent, apical sections (fig. 8D); r_{4+5} setulose to about $r \cdot m$. pv apical spur of hind tibia absent (see fig. 2F); legs long and slender. First tergite with strong marginals, second and third with discals and marginals (fig. 8H). Facial ridges with some fine setulae on lower fourth only, in addition to a seta just above the vibrissa. First post ia strong. Frons at vertex (in 3 much) narrower than an eye. Fuscous-black, in male the lateral part of the anterior three abdominal segments broadly testaceous or brownish translucent; thorax, apart from four vittae in front and three broad ones behind, and transverse bands on the tergites silver-white dusted. Fig. 8D, E, H. 7·5–12 mm. (=leucozona Panz.).

Parasite of caterpillars of larger Heterocera (Sphingidae, Notodontidae, Lasiocampidae, Agrotidae and especially Arctidae), on which the females deposit fully incubated eggs. Generally distributed in England, Wales, W. and S. Ireland. b.v-m.ix... Thelaira nigripes F.

14 (11)

r₁bare on dorsal surface. Lateral scutellars strong (fig. 8c, ↑). Eyes densely hairy.¹¹ Lower calyptra hairy on dorsal surface (fig. 8c). Arista bare (pollinose), the first two segments short and inconspicuous (fig. 8j); antennae inserted below middle of eyes, slender but only about as long as height of jowls, which is well over half as long as greater diameter of the eye. First tergite without marginals, second and third without discals. Fuscous-black with pale palpi, tip of scutellum (in male more extended) and lateral part of male abdomen. ♂: vertex less than one-fifth, ♀ not much more than one-quarter head-width. ♂: fig. 8c, J. Length 11-15 mm.

¹¹ Eyes bare. Lower calyptra bare. Second segment of arista very long, arista elbowed. Prosternum setose: *Gonia*, which in spite of a *pv* apical seta on the hind tibia is considered to be related to Carceliini, etc., see p. 75.

Parasite of Spilosoma lubricipeda L. (ARCTIIDAE), Amphidasis betularia L. (GEOMETRIDAE) and various AGROTIDAE. Sussex: Guestling, Hastings, 1886; Hants.: New Forest, 1.vii.07 and viii.15; Micheldever 29.viii.52 (C. H. Andrewes!)..........Nemoraeini: Nemoraea pellucida Meigen.

15 (2) Fore tarsi conspicuously laterally compressed, the segments band-shaped, not dilated to apices and with very short and fine setulae (fig. 7N); claws very small. R₅ closed in margin or with a short stalk (fig. 8L); r₁ bare: r₁₊₅ setulose to about r-m. Arista pubescent (fig. 1L). Abdomen strikingly compressed laterally (a distinctive character!), first segment with strong marginals, the others with strong discals and marginals (fig. 8M). Elongate flies with long and slender legs. Thorax with a median vitta of whitish dust flanked by moderately broad black vittae. The British form with a well-developed costal spine (fig. 8L), and on the abdomen with a complete broad black median vitta. 3: frons at vertex about one-fifth head width. 3: figs. 1L, 7N, 8L, M. 7-9 mm.

Parasite of Pyralis glaucinalis L. (PYRALIDAE). Kent to Sussex to Oxon. to Norfolk. m.v, b.vi-m.ix

MINTHOINI: Mintho rufiventris lacera Rondani.

Mouth margin (fig. 8k, m) distinctly projecting between the vibrissae (very slightly in Gymnochaeta—bright metallic—and Micronychia—with red-tipped fourth tergite of female and red hypopygium in male, red-tipped scutellum and descending frontals which exceed level of arista). If the basal dorsal excavation of the abdomen does not exceed the middle of the first segment either the mid tibia with only one ad seta and the parafacialia bare, or the midtibia with several ad setae and m ending well before wing tip (by more than length of r-m). Facial ridges bare or only with odd downward-curved setulae near vibrissa. 12 Jowls with a very distinct occipital dilation (fig. 8k, od). Ocellars proclinate (or absent). Subapical setae of scutellum (fig. 12l, m) strong, much closer to apex than to base, apical ones as a rule (not in the metallic green Gymnochaeta) smaller and cruciate or failing.

17 (18) Mid tibia with only one ad seta (fig. 8n). Basal dorsal excavation of abdomen not or hardly exceeding middle (see fig. 8n). Antennae elongate (fig. 8n). 3n pv apical seta of hind tibia small or indistinct (see fig. 2n). Scutellum without cruciate apicals, lateral almost always absent or indistinct. First to fourth tergites with marginals but without discals. Elongate flies with long and slender legs.....................LESKINI (p. 44).

18 (17) Mid tibia with two or more strong ad setae (fig. 80) Basal dorsal excavation of first abdominal segment (fig. 12L, m) as a rule almost or fully reaching hind margin (exception some Aphrina). pv apical seta of hind tibia (see fig. 2E) well developed except in some Aphrina.... Echinomyiini (p. 45).

Tribe MACQUARTIINI.

1 (8) Antennae short (fig. 9m-Q), third segment less than twice as long as second or (Blepharomyia 3) occipital dilation present (fig. 9c) and hind tibia with only two d preapicals (see fig. 12s). Arista very finely pubescent or only pollinose. m-m at middle or closer to bend than to r-m (fig. 1H), rather oblique; R₅ not stalked (if closer to r-m than to bend, or if R₅ is long-stalked (fig. 4c-E), see Dufouriini, p. 21. (Subtribe Macquartina).

2 (5) Scutellum with only two pairs of strong diverging marginals in addition to the cruciate apical pair (fig. 91, K, L), the distal ones not or only slightly more

¹² Facial ridges with setae ascending to at least middle (fig. 26q). Reclinate upper frontals distinct. Prosternum with one or more pairs of black bristles. Arista short and thick. Hind tibia with a small pv apical spur. See Brachychaeta, p. 81.

 13 Antennae short and small (fig. $5\bar{r}$). Scutellum with cruciate apicals. Parafacialia bare. Basal dorsal excavation of abdomen not exceeding middle of first segment. Body short and stout: see Xysta (Phasiini) of which I have seen a specimen with two post in placed rather close together.

distant from base than from apex. Occipital dilation large, broad and rounded in front (fig. 9c, n, o). Eyes densely hairy in male, sparsely so in female. Hind tibia with two or three d preapicals; in the latter case the intermediate one much smaller.

9M, P, Q); claws longer than fifth tarsal segment...... Macquartta (p. 36).
4 (3) Parafacialia with a row of strong setae (fig. 9c). Distal pair of diverging marginals of scutellum as distant from base as from apex or slightly closer to the latter. Hind tibia without a pv apical seta and with only two d preapicals. 3: frons (fig. 9a, s) at narrowest part more than a quarter head-width (in British species); claws shorter than fifth tarsal segment.

Blepharomyia (p. 38).

5 (2) Scutellum (fig. 9A, B) with three pairs of strong diverging marginals (and with or without strong cruciate apicals), the distal ones less than half as distant from apex as from base. Occipital dilation absent or narrow and triangular (fig. 9D, E, od). Eyes sparsely long-haired (β), sparsely short-haired (\$\mathbb{Q}\$), or bare. Hind tibia with three very strong and almost equal d preapicals (ad, d and pd).

6 (7) Eyes sparsely but quite distinctly haired (fig. 9D). Apical scutellars present and rather strong (fig. 9A). First abdominal segment without marginals; second and third each with a pair of strong discals rather close to base (fig. 9F). Base of r₄₊₅ with several small setulae. Occipital dilation absent (fig. 9D). 0 + 1 acr. Hind tibia with a strong pv apical seta (see fig. 12s). Largely glossy black, abdomen appearing undusted, thorax towards neck with linear paramedian and broader outer vittae. Base of wings and calyptrae orange. Tibiae black. J: frons more than a third head-width, with a praevertical and usually two proclinate (the upper one mainly outwardly bent) setae. J: fig. 9A, F, D. 8-10·5 mm.

Sussex to Cornwall to Merioneth to Suffolk. Edinburgh. Channel Is. Probably more widely distributed. e.v-e.vi, e.vii. Zophomyia temula Scopoli.

7 (6) Eyes bare (fig. 9E). Apical scutellars absent (fig. 9B). First abdominal segment with strong marginals (fig. 9B); second and third with several pairs of somewhat irregular discals (fig. 9G). Base of r_{4+5} with a rather strong seta and sometimes a smaller one basad close to it. Occipital dilation conspicuous, triangular. 2+2 acr. Hind tibia without a pv apical seta (see fig. 2F). Dull blackish grey, abdomen moderately densely whitish dusted with black hind margins, thorax with three broad undusted vittae. Wings somewhat smoky, base less orange and hardly so beyond h; calyptrae largely greyish white. Tibiae reddish translucent. 3: from not quite a quarter head width, without praevertical or proclinate orbitals. 3: fig. 9B, E, G. 6·5-8·5 mm.

Parasite of Lycophotia porphyrea Schiff., Mamestra oleracea L., etc. (AGROTIDAE), Aegeria tipuliformis Clerck (Sesiidae) and especially Vanessa s. l. (also once recorded from Saperda, Col. Cerambycidae, Lamiinae, in which case Sciapteron tabaniforme Rott. may have been the host); pupating in

the ground. England. Scotland. Generally distributed. b.v.-e.vi.

Pelatachina tibialis Fallén.

8 (1) Antennae very long, third segment at least thrice as long as second, arista short-plumose, the longest hairs about twice as long as its basal diameter (fig. 8q). Head long, without an occipital dilation. Hind tibia with three subequal strong d preapicals. Eyes bare. Parafacialia entirely setulose. Abdomen with discals and marginals (largely in a row) on first to fourth segments. Very slender, abdomen elongate, fusiform; glossy black, shoulders, notopleurae, pleurae and abdominal segments 2-4 anteriorly rather densely silver white dusted. \$\diftarrow \coppers \text{frons} at vertex less than a third head width, with a praevertical and normally two proclinate orbital setae. \$\diftarrow \cdot \text{fig. 8q. 6.5-9.5 mm.} (Subtribe Phyllomylina.)

Hosts unknown. Sussex to Cornwall to Perth. b.vi-e.viii, runs about leafage, vibrating wings, and appearing like a fossorial Hymenopteron

Phyllomyia volvulus F.

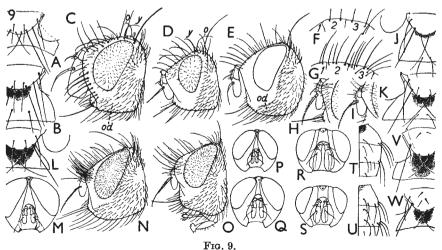
Genus Macquartia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

The females are believed to deposit fully incubated eggs or newly hatched larvae in the vicinity of the hosts, larvae of Chrysomelinae (Chrysomela, Phytodecta, probably Melasoma, etc.). Sometimes the parasite emerges only after pupation of the host. There is an unconfirmed report of a moth-larva serving as a host.

- 1 (8) Inner margin of lower calyptra broadly convex and diverging backward from longitudinal axis of fly and margin of scutellum (fig. 91, L).
- 2 (3) Basal dorsal excavation of abdomen almost absent (fig. 9л); abdomen densely covered by cinereous-grey pollinosity with small shifting darker olive-grey spots; in certain directions the pollinosity appears divided on median line into a darker and a lighter part. Parafacialia setulose on about upper half (fig. 9н). 3 post dc (see fig. 10g). Arista with short hairs, the longest at least half as long as its basal diameter (fig. 9н). Thorax rather densely cinereous-grey dusted, the paramedian vittae narrow in front, the outer ones rather broad. Halteres and basicosta orange. Fig. 9н, л. 5-5-8 mm. (Sbg. Cleonice Robineau-Desvoidy, 1863.)

Parasite of Chrysomela fastuosa Scop. and sanguinolenta L. Kent to Cornwall to Salop to Suffolk, Lancs. (Witherslack). e.iv-m.vi, b.vii-e.x, woods and heaths grisea Fallén.

- 3 (2) Basal dorsal excavation of abdomen (normally) well developed (fig. 9κ, L), at least closely approaching middle of first segment (if indistinct the arista only pollinose); abdomen more thinly dusted, glossy and without small shifting dark spots. Parafacialia bare, ¹⁴ except for few setulae close to the frontal setae (fig. 9π, N). Arista only pollinose, or 4 strong post dc present.
- 4 (7) Halteres yellowish. Basicosta orange, except in 3 buccalis. Frontal setae forming a single row (fig. 91), though one strong seta may lie slightly outwards near anterior end.
- 5 (6) Basal dorsal excavation of abdomen almost reaching hind margin of first segment (fig. 9L); the latter without marginals. Normally 4 strong post dc (see fig. 10H). Arista with distinct short hairs, the longest about as long as
- ¹⁴ Parafacialia conspicuously setulose on more than upper half. Arista with very short hairs on basal half, the longest ones being about half the length of its basal diameter. 3 strong post dc. Otherwise as under 3(2). Macroprosopa atrata Fln., which is almost certainly not British.



its basal diameter (fig. 91). Costal spine small or indistinct. Basicosta and palpi bright orange. Paramedian vittae of thorax well defined; abdomen thinly dusted with a brassy tinge, marginal bands absent. Figs. 1 π , 9 π , 1. 5–7.5 mm.

Bred abroad from larva of Chrysomela aurata Suffrian. Kent to Somerset to Inverness to Moray. b.iv, e.iv-b.ix, woods and marshes..nubilis Rondani.

6 (5) Basal dorsal excavation of abdomen not exceeding middle of first segment, the latter with marginals (see fig. 9κ). 3 post dc (see fig. 10g). Arista only pollinose, the pile not longer than on third antennal segment. Costal spine well developed. Basicosta and palpi dark brown to fuscous in male, orange or light brown in female. Paramedian vittae of thorax ill-defined in male, distinct in female; abdomen not very thickly whitish grey dusted with slight brassy reflections only on a median vitta and well developed hind marginal bands. 5–7 mm.

Gloucs.: Blaise Castle; Coombe Dingle; Worcs.: Wyre Forest. Perth to Sutherland. m.v-e.vi, e.viiibuccalis Robineau-Desvoidy.
7 (4) Halteres infuscate. Basicosta black. Parafrontalia with strong frontal

7 (4) Halteres infuscate. Basicosta black. Parafrontalia with strong frontal bristles arranged anteriorly in several rows and thus forming a bunch, especially in male (fig. 9n). Basal dorsal excavation of abdomen reaching about middle. 3 post dc. Arista hardly more than pollinose. Costal spine longer than r-m. Palpi fuscous. Bluish black with thin whitish-grey dust; abdomen without a pattern, thinly dusted in male, virtually undusted in female; first segment without or with (some males) marginals. 3: figs. 7k, 9n. 5·5-8 mm. (= spinicosta Meade, = pacifica Meigen of Stein).

7K, 9N. 5·5-8 mm. (= spinicosta Meade, = pacifica Meigen of Stein).

Parasite of larva of Chrysomela varians Schall. and presumably the pupa of Melasoma tremulae F. Kent to Devon to Hereford to Norfolk, Lancs. (Holker Moss); map p. 6. e.v-e.vi, m.vii-m.ix, woods and marshes. practica Meigen.

8 (1) Inner margin of lower calyptra almost straight from base to about middle of scutellum (fig. 9κ) and closely adjacent to margin of latter, conspicuously converging with longitudinal axis of fly from base to apex, the apical margin less rounded, almost truncate. Parafacialia setulose at least on upper third (fig. 9o). 3 post dc. Basal dorsal excavation of abdomen reaching about middle (fig. 9κ).

9 (12 Tibiae and often femora yellow. Parafacialia wholly, and in male richly, setulose (fig. 8r). Palpi orange. First abdominal segment in male with, in female with or without, marginals. 3: abdomen moderately densely whitish grey dusted, the disc with some brown dust and brassy reflections. 2: densely grey dusted; second antennal segment, femora, epaulet and basicosta orange.

10 (11) 3: Second antennal segment, femora, epaulet and basicosta fuscous; eyes almost contiguous (fig. 9P); thorax virtually undusted, except at shoulders and notopleurae, without distinct vittae, except near neck. 2 very dissimilar in general appearance, densely dusted. 3: fig. 8P. 6-9 mm.

Parasite of Chrysomela sanguinolenta L. Kent to Cornwall to Worcs. to Suffolk. e.iv-e.vi, b.viii-b.x, woods and hedgerows.......dispar Fallén.

11 (10)

3: Second antennal segment, (femora), epaulet, and basicosta orange as in female; eyes separated by more than half width of third antennal segment (fig. 9Q); thorax more densely whitish dusted with four conspicuous undusted vittae in front. 9: pollinosity of thorax similar to that of male, i.e., less dense and less extended than in dispar; abdomen with large glossy brassy black spots. 6·4–12 mm. (β); 9 mm. (♀).

Sussex to Devon to Hereford to Suffolk. b.-m.iv, (e.vi)..flavipes Meigen.

12 (9) Tibiae and femora fuscous-black. Parafacialia setulose on upper half or third (fig. 90). Epaulet fuscous, basicosta and halteres orange.

13 (14) First abdominal segment without marginals, abdomen rather conspicuously dusted, even on first segment, disc with brassy reflections. Palpi orange.

3: eyes subcontiguous. 8-8.5 mm.

Parasite of Chrysomela varians Schall. Not British...chalconota Meigen.

14 (13) First abdominal segment with marginals, abdomen less densely dusted, especially on disc and on first segment. Palpi variable. \mathcal{J} : frons reduced to a fine line at narrowest part, where the interfrontalia disappear (in ab. nitida Zetterstedt slightly wider, as in fig. 9m, more dilated anteriorly, the interfrontalia remaining distinct in their whole length). \mathbb{Q} : frons less than one-

third head-width at vertex, moderately dilated anteriorly (in ab. nitida somewhat more dilated anteriorly). 3: fig. 9k, m, o. 5–9 mm. According to Villeneuve only variations of M. chalconota.

Parasite of the larvae of Chrysomela fastuosa Scop., graminis L. (!!) and varians Schall. Generally distributed, England, Wales, Scotland (to Inverness). m.iv (copula!)-e.x, woods and marshes.....tenebricosa Meigen.

Genus Blepharomyia Brauer & Bergenstamm, 1889.

1 (2) Frons (fig. 9R) not (3) or just (2) a third head-width at vertex, moderately dilated forward; distance between anterior "angles" of eyes (in dorsal view of the fly) less than half head-width; the proclinate orbital setae rather gradually merged into the row of proclinate parafrontal setulae. Marginal rows of first and second abdominal segments (fig. 9T) weakly developed between median and lateral marginals. Pale pollinosity largely silver grey, parafacialia without shifting spots. 3: fig. 9R, T. 5-6.5 mm. (= incerta Meade).

Parasite of Bapta temerata Schiff., Opisthograptis luteolata L. and Hybernia marginaria F. (GEOMETRIDAE). Generally distributed, England, Wales, Scotland (to Moray). m.iv-e.vii, e.viii.......amplicornis Zetterstedt.

2 (1) Frons (fig. 9s) well over a third head-width at vertex (39), strongly dilated forward, the distance between anterior "angles" of eyes more than half head-width; proclinate orbital setae strong and more clearly differentiated. Marginal rows of second and third abdominal segments strongly developed (fig. 9u). Pale pollinosity brownish grey, parafacialia and parafrontalia with shifting fuscous reflections, which are indented or interrupted by pale dots and by a large spot on parafacialia. Like amplicornis fuscous-black with moderately dense pollinosity; thorax with two pairs of vittae; intermediate abdominal segments with a pair of large half-moon-shaped dark spots on hind margin, sometimes only a narrow front margin and anterior angles pale dusted. 3: fig. 9c, s, u. 4.5-6 mm.

Hosts unknown. Perth: Loch Katrine; Callander; Inverness: Nethy-

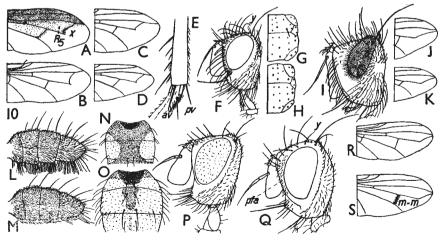


Fig. 10.

Tribe WAGNERIINI.

Genus: Wagneria Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

(2) Subbasal marginal of scutellum absent or smaller than discal setae (fig. 9v). scutellum therefore with only two pairs of conspicuous marginals. Intermediate abdominal segments without discals (or only with an odd small one). r_1 bare; stalk of R_5 at least half as long as apical cross-vein (fig. 10A); anterior part of wing, including R_5 and discal cell, strongly infuscate. Abdomen appearing undusted glossy black, thorax with a pair of whitish-dusted vittae. Palpi orange yellow. Figs. 9v, 10a. 3·5–5·5 mm. (= nigrans Meigen of Stein, Wainwright, 1928.)

Parasite of caterpillars of Agrotidae (Caradrina alsines Brahm and Agrochola circellaris Hufn.). Sussex to Cornwall to Merioneth to Norfolk. Channel Is. e.v-m.ix, sandy coasts, sandhills, sandpits, behaving much like Astata stigma Klug (Sphegidae) carbonaria Panzer (nec Meigen, Stein).

- Subbasal marginal setae of scutellum strong, subequal to the apical ones (fig. (1) 9w), scutellum therefore with three pairs of conspicuous marginal setae. At least third abdominal segment with strong discals.
- r_1 setulose dorsally on middle part (fig. 10B). pv apical spur of hind tibia well (4) developed (fig. 10E). Thorax and abdomen glossy black, appearing undusted on dorsal surface. Anterior part of wing infuscate much as in carbonaria. Palpi orange yellow. 3: third antennal segment large, apex slightly produced dorsally (anteriorly). Figs. 9w, 10B, E. 4-5 mm. (= carbonaria Panzer of Meigen, Stein, nec Panzer)

Inverness: Cairngorms, 2200 ft., 26.vi. 33 (R. L. Coe). . prunaria Rondani.

- r, bare. pv apical spur of hind tibia small or indistinct. (3)
- prst ia present (fig. 10g). Stalk of R_b at least as long as m-m (fig. 10c), posterior apical angle of R_5 obtuse, and apical cross-vein straight or only very broadly and shallowly concave. Thorax without white-dusted vittae, even before suture, at most the shoulders with slight whitish dust. Excavation of first abdominal segment not reaching hind margin.
- (7) Anterior part of wing brown, r_{4+5} , m, and cross-veins suffused. Palpi yellow. Abdomen without whitish dust. Thorax shining bluish black. 2 stpl. Parafacialia bare apart from the setae. 7 mm.

Bred from Caradrina blanda Hb. Sussex: Guestling nr. Hastings, 1890; Surrey: Bookham Common, 11.vi.39; Dorset: Bere Wood, v.45; Yellowham Wood, vi.45. *costata Fallén.

Wings hardly brownish tinged, veins not suffused (fig. 10c). Palpi fuscous. (6)Second to fourth abdominal segments with distinct whitish-dusted basal bands (in a strictly dorsal view these are indistinct near median line but conspicuous laterally). Thorax glossy black with some whitish dust at shoulders. 3 stpl. Parafacialia setulose between and outwards of the setae. Figs. 71, 10c, g. 6-7 mm.

Gloucs.: Olveston, 2.vii.22; Hereford: Tarrington, 29.v.98; Woolhope nr.

Whitechurch; Worcs.: Wyre Forest, vi.....succincta Meigen.

- (5) prst ia absent (fig. 10H). Stalk of R₅ shorter than m-m, posterior apical angle of R_5 sharp or, seldom, right, and apical cross-vein strongly concave near bend (fig. 10p). Thorax with distinct whitish-dusted vittae, especially in front. Excavation of first abdominal segment reaching hind margin. Wings not
- 9 (10) Stalk of R_5 almost as long as m-m (fig. 10p). Abdomen with indistinct whitish basal bands. White-dusted thoracic vittae less conspicuous behind suture but continuing the prst vittae, the dc placed along middle of each vitta. 3: ventral surface of abdomen (fig. 10L) with dense long erect hairs, which are as long as the discals. Fig. 10D, F, H, L. 5.5-7 mm.

Bred from Leucania lythargyria Esp. (AGROTIDAE). Kent to Cornwall to Hereford to Suffolk. m.iv, m.v-e.vi, m.vii-e.ix, woods

latifrons Zetterstedt. Stalk of R_5 not or hardly longer than r-m (fig. 7P). Abdomen with conspicuous 10 (9) whitish dust on about anterior lateral half of second to fourth segments. White-dusted thoracic vittae rather conspicuous behind suture and on that part situated between the acr and dc of each side. 3: ventral surface of abdomen (fig. 10m) with short half-decumbent hairs. 3: figs. 7p, 10m. 6-8 mm.

Tribe CAMPYLOCHAETINI.

Genus Campylochaeta Rondani, 1859.

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (2) Upper part of parafacialia setulose (fig. 101), more than upper half occupied by a spot of dark reflections. Third antennal segment in male longer than greatest diameter of eye, 7-8 times as long as second segment (fig. 101). Tibiae reddish. prst ia absent (see fig. 10n). Apical cross-vein longer than preceding section of m (fig. 10j). Thorax of male thinly, of female rather densely, grey dusted with four fuscous-brown vittae; abdominal segments with fuscous-brown hind and narrower fore margins. 3: from less than a third head-width at vertex. 3: figs. 101, j. 5·5-7 mm. (obscura Fallén of authors, nec Fallén, see p. 73).

Parasite of Crocallis elinguaria L. (Geometridae), several larvae developing in one caterpillar; the pupa hibernates in the ground. Kent to Somerset to Worcs. to Suffolk. Perth: Loch Katrine. m.iii-m.v, woods..praecox Meigen.

2 (1) Parafacialia quite bare (fig. 7j) with uniform reflections. Third antennal segment shorter than greatest diameter of eye (fig. 7j). Legs wholly black. prst ia present (see fig. 10g). Apical cross-vein shorter than preceding section of m (fig. 10k). Thorax grey dusted, the vitae ill-defined; abdomen with (in postero-lateral view) very broad glossy fuscous-black hind margins and narrow whitish-dusted fore margins; in dorso-lateral view similar to that of praecox. 3: frons fully a third head-width as in female, though without proclinate orbitals. Figs. 7j, q, 10k. 4·5-6 mm. (Sbg. Elpe Robineau-Desvoidy, Hypochaeta Brauer & Bergenstamm; = distincta Meigen, = longicornis Fallén of Schiner nec Fallén).

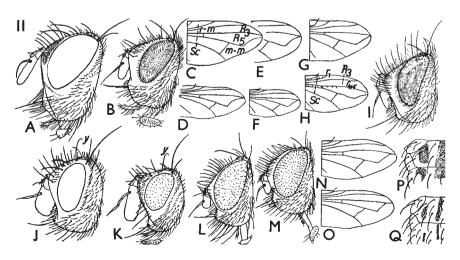


Fig. 11.

Tribe Helocerini.

KEY TO GENERA.

- 1 (4) Basal dorsal excavation of abdomen not exceeding middle of first segment, at least the second segment without discals (fig. 10π). Mid tibia with 0-1 ad setae (see fig. 8π). Facial profile much longer than frontal profile (fig. 10π, Q), vibrissal angles or mouth-margin produced; occiput convex. δ: from one-third to one-half head-width. Ground-colour never wholly black (except in Helocera ♀).
- 2 (3) Parafacialia bare (fig. 10r). Palpi vestigial (fig. 10r). Eyes thinly short-haired. m-m much closer to r-m than to bend (fig. 10r). Mid tibia without an ad seta, hind tibia with a pv apical seta; antennae and legs fuscous. 3 post dc. Fuscous-black, the male with the sides of the abdomen testaceous (fig. 10n). Head and thorax rather densely whitish dusted, the latter with four moderately broad undusted vittae, the paramedian ones more or less coalescing at suture, and in female even in their entire length. 3: figs. 8A, 10n, P, R. 4·5-5·5 mm.

3 (2) Parafacialia setulose on their entire length (fig. 10Q, pfa). Palpi well developed, markedly clubbed (fig. 10Q). Eyes bare. m-m slightly closer to bend than to r-m (fig. 10s). Mid tibia with an ad seta, hind tibia without a distinct pv apical seta; antennae, palpi and legs pale orange, tarsi and sometimes fore femora browned. 4 post dc, the second smaller. Fuscous brown, head, tip of scutellum and parts of the pleurae testaceous translucent; rather thickly cinereous grey dusted, thorax with three broad brownish vittae; abdomen with brown hind margins. Fig. 10Q, s.

Oxon.: Shotover, 6.v.16; Herts.: Felden, 13.vi.94; Cambs. 26.v.05, in garden; Suffolk: Monks Soham, 17.v.40, on window

Stenoparia monstrosicornis Stein.

- 4 (1) Basal dorsal excavation of abdomen reaching or closely approaching hind margin of first segment (fig. 100); second and third tergites with discals. Mid tibiae with two or more ad setae (see fig. 80).
- 5 (6) Height of jowls as long as smaller diameter of eyes (fig. 11a); vibrissae almost level with lower eye margin, very high above the ventral outline of the head. Eyes bare. Costal spine absent. Abdomen with discals and marginals, first segment without. Head and thorax with moderately thick whitish dust, thorax with three broad blackish vittae; abdomen shining piceous, in a lateral view the off-side whitish dusted. Legs, palpi and most of antennae pale testaceous. 3: eyes separated by width of third antennal segment. Fig. 11a. 8-9 mm.

- 6 (5) Height of jowls usually shorter than smaller diameter of eye, often only half as long; if almost as long, the vibrissae very far below level of lower eye margins, or eyes densely long-haired; eyes always hairy if the legs are pale.¹⁵
- 7 (14) Second segment of arista up to twice as long as wide (fig. 11B, I) Eyes hairy (hair dense and long except in some *Loewia*). Hind tibia with a strong pv apical seta, m-m closer to bend than to r-m (fig. 11c-F).
- 8 (9) Costal sector in Sc at least as long as that in R_3 ; bend of m obtuse. Femora, tibiae, palpi, scutellum and most (3) or all (\mathfrak{P}) of abdomen pale ferruginous,
- 15 Eyes bare. Legs wholly pale. Apical scutellars small and diverging. Apical cross-vein often absent or vestigial; see *Rhacodineura* (Eryciini), p. 81, which has a well-developed pv apical seta on the hind tibia.

most of head and disc of thorax fuscous black with whitish grey dust, thorax with four incomplete undusted vittae. 2+3 acr, 3+3 dc; prst is absent. 3: from about a quarter head-width on upper half. Figs. 10o, 11B, c. 6-8 mm.

Radnor.: Rhyader; Hereford: Woolhope; Ashperton Park at Tarrington; Worcs.: Wyre Forest. Moray: Logie. m.vi-m.vii, woodlands

9 (8) Costal sector in Sc shorter than that in R_3 . Wholly black, except sometimes tip of palpi and interfrontalia; dorsal surface with greenish-brassy or brassy reflections.

10 (11) Prosternum setulose (see fig. 2B). Bend of m obtusely rounded (fig. 11E), R_5 open or closed in margin; r_{4+5} conspicuously setulose more than halfway to r-m. Arista incrassate at least to middle. Facial ridges setulose only close to vibrissae. Apical scutellars very small. Dorsal surface without whitish and with only very thin brown dust. δ : frons fully a third head-width at vertex, strongly dilated forward; occllars very strong, directed hardly forward. Fig. 11E. $4\cdot5$ -7 mm.

12 (13) Apical cross-vein markedly concave from bend to beyond middle, bend of m forming an obtuse or right angle; R₅ open or closed in margin (fig. 11d). Setulae on facial ridges reaching about middle, frontal setae descending to below level of arista (fig. 11t). Fuscous-black, grey dusted, the thorax more thinly so in male, more or less brassy, with four undusted vittae; abdomen with fuscous-brown hind margins and large shifting dark spots. Fig. 11d, 1. 4-7 mm.

Parasite of Operophthera brumata Steph., Hybernia marginaria F. (Geometridae), Poecilocampa populi L. (Lasiocampidae), Evetria buoliana Schiff. (Olethreutidae) and Celastrina argiolus L. (Lycaenidae); also bred from a Syrphid (Merodon). Generally distributed England, Wales, Scotland (to Moray). b.iv-b.vi, common in woods......Lypha dubia Fallén.

13 (12) Apical cross-vein straight at least from bend to beyond middle (fig. 11F, N, o), bend broadly obtuse though not rounded; R₅ almost always petiolate. Setulae on facial ridges confined to lower third or so, frontal setae not exceeding apex of second antennal segment (fig. 11L, M). Glossy black or brownblack species. Eyes with sparser and shorter hairs......Loewia (p. 43).

14 (7) Second segment of arista elongate, more than thrice as long as wide at base (fig. 111, κ). Eyes practically bare or with distinct but short hair. Costal sector in Sc much shorter than that in R_3 (fig. 11 c, κ). δ : from like that of \mathfrak{P} , more than a third head-width, with proclinate orbitals.

15 (16) First segment of arista hardly longer than wide (fig. 11_J). Intermediate abdominal segments with several pairs of irregular discals. m-m almost halfway between r-m and bend (fig. 11_G); r₄₊₅ setulose on basal node only. pv apical seta of hind tibia small or indistinct. Parafacialia bare, jowls on anterior upper part with 1-2 strong setae. 4 post dc. Thorax thickly whitish grey dusted, with four incomplete vittae; abdomen grey dusted with fuscous hind margins and median vitta. Fig. 11_G, J. 5-7 mm.

Bred from Eucosma fulvana Steph. (OLETHREUTIDAE). Sussex, Surrey,

Bred from Eucosma fulvana Steph. (OLETHREUTIDAE). Sussex, Surrey, Dorset, Gloucs., to Cambs. m.vi-e.viii, mainly on chalky downs.......

Genus Loewia Eggers, 1856.

- 1 (4) Parafacialia bare below the descending frontals (fig. 11L), except sometimes for 1-2 inconspicuous hairs at lower end. Stalk of R_5 short and less defined against apical cross-vein (fig. 11F), sometimes absent. Eyes more densely hairy.
- 2 (3) prst ia strong; 3 prst acr; 4 post dc, the second sometimes weak. Costal spine absent or indistinct; R_5 sometimes without a stalk. Anterior declivity of thorax thinly though distinctly whitish dusted, with distinct linear undusted paramedian vittae. δ : eyes almost contiguous. 7.5–9 mm. (Loewia s. str.)

phaeoptera Meigen.
(1) Parafacialia setulose, at least in part (fig. 11m). (Sbg. Fortisia Rondani).

5 (6) Costal spine absent or indistinct. Setulae of parafacialia longer than third antennal segment, extending over the whole length. 9 mm.

Probably not British................*setibarba Eggers.

6 (5) Costal spine well developed, not markedly shorter than r-m (fig. 11n, o). Setulae of parafacialia shorter than third antennal segment. Dorsum glossy black, only the shoulders with thin brown dust. Length not exceeding 7.5 mm.

- 7 (8) Parafacialia with a group of setulae on lower half or less (fig. 11m). Stalk of R₅ less than a fourth or fifth of the apical cross-vein (fig. 11n); r₄₊₅ with c. 4-6 setulae at base of dorsal surface. S: fig. 11m, N. 6-7·5 mm. Parasite of Lithobius. Kent to Hants. to Hereford to Suffolk, Notts., Yorks. m. vii-b. ix. costal wastes and woods. foeda Meigen.

hunting spiders.....petiolata Robineau-Desvoidy, Pandellé.

Genus Digonochaeta auct. (usual spelling).

(Original spelling: Bigonicheta Rondani 1845.)

Parasites of the common earwig (Forficula auricularia L.) and caterpillars of Lepidoptera Heterocera (various families, see Audcent; Parmenter). (Records from a Cerambycid and a Scolytid are almost certainly due to errors, and this may apply to some or even all of the recorded Lepidopterous hosts, since an earwig may always find access to a cage. On the other hand, Baer and Lundbeck believe that the biology implies intermediate hosts). Fully incubated eggs are deposited near the hosts, into which the larvae burrow. Pupae in soil, under bark, etc., usually hibernating.

- 1 (2) Palpi fuscous-black. Thorax with three broad black vittae before suture (fig. 11r); pollinosity more cinereous or brownish grey. Fig. 11 h, r. 4·3-6·5 mm.
 - Scotland: Inverness to Aberdeen to Ross. Orkneys? (as spinipennis, Grimshaw). (Records from Norfolk, Suffolk, Notts., Glam. refer probably to spinipennis, and so may the Durham record.) m.v-e.vi.....setipennis Fallén.
- 2 (1) Palpi brownish orange to brown. Thorax with four narrow black vittae before suture (fig. 11q), the two paramedian ones separated by a broad pale-dusted vitta, on which the acr lie, and which is as pale as that on which the dc are placed. Fig. 11k, q. 4·5-6 mm.

Generally distributed in England and Wales, extending north to Radnor, Salop, Notts., Aberdeen (Morison, F. v. E. det.) e.iv-m.viii, locally common spinipennis Meigen.

Tribe GERMARIINI.

Face and frons very broad and largely rufous.

1 (2) Ocellars curved outward and backward (fig. 12A). R₅ distinctly open. The three post dc equidistant. Second segment of arista slightly shorter than third. Stouter, width about 4 mm. Thorax rather thinly whitish dusted with four linear vittae; fore margins of abdominal segments broadly white dusted, these bands interrupted by large shifting dark spots. 3♀: with two pairs of proclinate orbital setae. Figs. 8F, 12A. 10·5-12·5 mm.

2 (1) Ocellars curved outward and forward (fig. 12B). R₅ closed in margin or very shortly stalked (fig. 8c). The anterior two strong post dc more widely separated, between them often a smaller fourth seta. Second segment of arista slightly longer than third. Slender, width about 2.5 mm. Thorax as above; abdominal segments with moderately broad white-dusted fore margins, fourth very thinly and more evenly whitish dusted, shifting dark spots not marked. S: without proclinate orbital setae. Figs. 8c, 12B. 7-9.5 mm.

Tribe LESKIINI.

Genus Leskia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (2) Frontal setae not descending on parafacialia (fig. 12c), the anterior end of the row only slightly curved outward and not exceeding level of ventral surface of first antennal segment. Occiput almost entirely pale-haired. Antennae, coxae and abdomen wholly orange yellow; ground-colour of frons, face, humeri and scutellum also yellowish. 3: claws longer than fifth tarsal

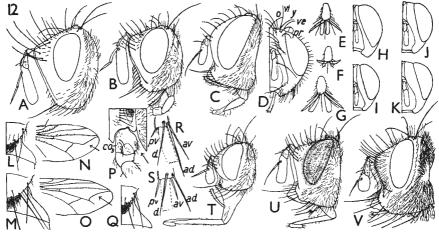


Fig. 12.

segment; from without proclinate orbitals. Fig. 12c. 7.5-9.5 mm. (Sbg. Leskia s. str.)

- 2 (1) Frontal setae descending on parafacialia, the anterior end of the row strongly curved outward and almost reaching apical level of second antennal segment (figs. 8k, 12p). Occiput with at least a complete row of black setulae behind upper half of occipital row in addition to some more black setulae near upper part of cerebrale. Third antennal segment and parts of coxae and abdomen fuscous in ground-colour; humeri, scutellum, frons and part of the face fuscous with pale pollinosity.
- 3 (8) of: claws as long as fifth tarsal segment or longer (fig. 12E, G). ♀: femora wholly pale, at most front ones with a brown streak along dorsal surface. Black setulae of occiput more numerous, forming as a rule at least 2-3 complete irregular rows behind upper half of occipital row. (Sbg. Anthoica Rondani = Myobia Robineau-Desvoidy, nec Heyden.) Characters for separating the females unknown, and it is doubtful if the next three forms are good species.
- 4 (5) δ: from at narrowest part less than a fifth head-width (fig. 12H); parafrontalia wider than interfrontalia, without proclinate orbitals. Claws conspicuously longer than fifth tarsal joint (fig. 12G), fore tarsus more than half as long again as fore tibia. Ocellars hardly longer and stronger than the hairs on the ocellar tubercle. Figs. 8κ, 12G, H. 6-9 mm.

Bred from Spilosoma lutea Hufn. (ARCTIIDAE) and Orthosia incerta Hufn. (AGROTIDAE). Kent to Cornwall to Merioneth to Cambs. Inverness. Moray: Grantown. b.vii-m.ix, heath and downlands...... inanis Fallen.

- 5 (4) 5: frons at narrowest part at least a quarter head-width (fig. 121, J); parafrontalia narrower above than interfrontalia, or with proclinate orbitals. Claws about as long as fifth tarsal joint (fig. 12E), fore tarsus up to half as long again as fore tibia. Ocellars distinctly longer and stronger than the hair on ocellar tubercle.
- 6 (7) 5: frons at narrowest part (at about posterior third) a quarter head-width (fig. 121); parafrontalia without proclinate orbital setae, narrower at middle and behind than interfrontalia. 5-7 mm.

Hants., Worcs., Warwks. to Herts. m.vii-b.viii, b.ix, wastes on chalk fuscana Robineau-Desvoidy.

7 (6) 3: from at narrowest part (the vertex) a third head-width (fig. 12j); parafrontalia with proclinate orbitals, slightly wider than interfrontalia. 3: fig. 12d, E, J. 5-8 mm.

Sussex to Devon to Merioneth to Notts. b.vi-m.vi, e.vii-b.ix, e.x

vacua Rondani.

8 (3) ♂: claws about two-thirds length of fifth tarsal segment (fig. 12F); frons at narrowest part (vertex) fully a third head-width; parafrontalia as in vacua.

♀: femora more or less darkened at base, especially front ones. Legs mostly yellowish, and in male abdomen distinctly yellow on basal part of lateral surface (type form); or legs much darkened and abdomen with little, if any, indication of yellow coloration (ab. festiva Robineau-Desvoidy?, Wainwright.) ♂: Fig. 12F, K. 4·5–7·8 mm. (Sbg. Solieria Donovan, Micromyiobia B. B.; = pacifica Meigen, Audeent)

Bred from Aglais urticae L. (Audcent!). Kent to Cornwall to Staffs. to Cambs., Notts.?, Yorks.?, Moray? b.v-b.ix, chalky wastes. (ab. festiva from Gloucs., Warwks., Chesh.)......................tibialis v. Roser.

Tribe ECHINOMYIINI.

KEY TO SUBTRIBES.

(2) Scutellum with only three pairs of marginals, including the apical pair (fig. 121), the lateral seta being hair-like or absent; apical setae sometimes indistinct. Apical cross-vein normally straight or convex exteriorly (fig. 12n, ↑). Occiput with at least a row of black setulae behind upper part of occipital row (fig. 12r). 3 post dc, which are strong (fig. 13æ). Costal spine strong, almost

always much longer than r-m (fig. 12n). First tergite without median marginals (except often in Bithia). Elongate flies with slender legs. 2: from almost always with a transverse praevertical seta...... APHRIINA (p. 46).

2 (1) Scutellum with at least four pairs of marginals, even if (as in some Ernestia) the decussate apicals are missing (fig. 12M), the lateral setae always strong. Apical cross-vein concave (fig. 12o, \uparrow). Flies more or less strongly built. First antennal segment markedly projecting.

(6) Hind coxae bare along posterior apical margin. Parafacialia bare on at least

lower half (figs. 12u, 13g, H, J), except in Meriania, without strong setae

on lower part. Eyes densely hairy. Propleural depression bare. Palpi normal, long, clavate (fig. 13c, J). If the bend of m is prolonged by an (5)appendage, this is short and ends bluntly. Ventrites more or less exposed (except in Micronychia) Ernestiina¹⁶ (p. 48).

Palpi very short and narrowly band-shaped, often vestigial (fig. 12u, †). Bend of m with a long appendage which tapers gradually to apex (fig. 120). Ventrites hidden. Third antennal segment about twice as long as second and much wider, of rectangular shape (fig. 12u).....LINNAEMYIINA (p. 51).

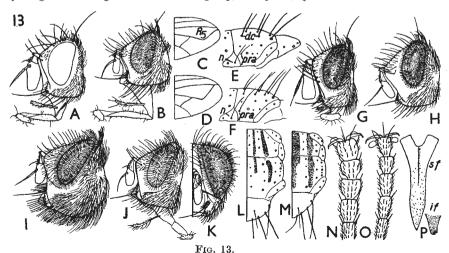
6 (3) Hind coxae setulose along posterior apical margin (fig. 12r). Parafacialia entirely setulose (fig. 12v). Propleural depression hairy (see fig. 7j, ↑), except when a few strong setae are present on parafacialia near lower end of eyes. Second and third antennal segments of subequal length or the second longer. Occiput without black setulae behind upper half of occipital row. Eyes bare Echinomylina (p. 53).

Subtribe APHRIINA.

KEY TO GENERA AND SPECIES.

1 (2) More than apical third of r_1 and most of second section of fifth vein setulose (fig. 12n), \hat{r}_{4+5} setulose on almost its entire length (dorsal surfaces). Upper part of occiput wholly black-setulose. Apical scutellars very small or absent (fig. 12q). Ocellars divaricate. Eyes virtually bare. Basal excavation of first abdominal segment not reaching hind margin (fig. 12q). Fuscous-black with dense pale-grey pollinosity, thorax with four incomplete linear vittae and blackish dots at the setal pores. First and second abdominal segments dull ferruginous at sides. Fig. 12N, Q. 5-10.5 mm.

16 If a small brassy black fly with setulose prosternum, thick arista, and hardly porjecting mouth margin is traced to this group, see Lydina, p. 42.



Hants. to Cornwall to Pembroke to Anglesey to Norfolk. Co. Kerry, Co. Waterford. e.vi-e.ix, common on heath and wastes...... Bithia spreta Meigen.

2 (1) Wing veins bare except for c and base of r_{4+5} . Upper part of occiput with a row of black setulae behind the occipital row, otherwise pale-haired.

(8) Palpi pale orange-yellow. Eyes virtually bare. pv apical seta of hind tibia absent or small, the av apical seta at least 2-3 times as long (fig. 12π). Most projecting part of mouth-margin at level of vibrissae (fig. 12π).

4 (5) Mentum longer than height of head (fig. 12T). Abdomen without discals. Setulae on basal part of r_{4+5} almost reaching and sometimes exceeding r-m. Black, moderately thinly whitish grey dusted, thorax with four narrow vittae. Interfrontalia and sides of abdomen pale ferruginous, first and posterior half of second to fourth abdominal segments undusted. Fig. 12L, R, T. 6·5–8·5 mm.

Bred from Agrotid larvae ("cutworms"). Hants: Farley Downs; Lyndhurst, New Forest; Dorset: Studland (common); Hamworthy Marshes; Cornwall. e.v-b.vi, e.vi, m.vii-e.viii, heath and downs, locally common

Aphria longirostris Meigen.

5 (4) Mentum shorter than height of head (fig. 13A, B). Abdomen with median discals. Setulae on basal part of r₄₊₅ not extending much beyond node. The lateral surface of the second and adjacent abdominal segments less conspicuously or hardly red; usually entirely dark in female.

6 (7) Second segment of arista inconspicuous, third normal, much longer than third antennal segment. Apex of scutellum testaceous translucent. Pollinosity cinereous grey; paramedian prst vittae narrow but conspicuous. Stouter, resembling a Sarcophaga. 3: parafrontalia without proclinate setae, from less than a third head-width; pulvilli and claws long. 7.5-10.5 mm.

Bred from an unnamed Sesiid. Hants.: Barton; Farley Downs; Dorset:

Southwell, nr. Portland (limestone cliffs). b.viii

Rhinotachina modesta Meigen.

7 (6) Second segment of arista twice as long as wide (fig. 13A), third incrassate to beyond middle, not or slightly longer than third antennal segment. Scutellum wholly black. Pollinosity whitish grey; vittae and spots on thorax poorly defined; abdomen with conspicuous dark hind margins. \mathcal{J} : parafrontalia with two proclinate setae (fig. 13A), frons (\mathcal{J}°) more than two-fifths head-width at vertex; pulvilli and claws not or hardly longer than fourth tarsal segment. \mathcal{J} : fig. 13A. 7-10 mm.

Bred on the Continent from Arctia hebe L. (= Eucharia festiva Hufn.). Sussex to Devon to Gloucs. to Suffolk. e.iv, m.vi-b.viii, downland

Demoticus plebeius Fallén.

(3) Palpi brown to fuscous. Eyes densely hairy (fig. 13B). pv apical seta of hind tibia subequal to the av one (fig. 12s). Combined length of mentum and labella about equalling height of head, proboscis exceeding mouth-margin when in resting position. Apical scutellars distinct.

9 (10) R₅ open (fig. 13c), distance between bend of m and wing margin in line with m (normally) shorter than that between bend and m-m. Most projecting part of mouth-margin below level of vibrissae (fig. 13a). Rather densely cine-reous-grey dusted, the four thoracic vittae conspicuous; abdomen with fuscous-brown hind margins, without or with small red ventro-lateral spots. ♂: claws and pulvilli of front legs almost as long as the combined length of the last two tarsal segments; frons normally one-seventh to one-eighth head-width and without a praevertical seta, varying to one-fifth head-width with a strong praevertical. Fig. 13a, c. 5-8 mm. (= angustifrons Meade, = ciliaris Zetterstedt of Meade.)

10 (9) R_5 (fig. 13D) short-petiolate (or closed in margin); distance between bend of wing and margin at least as long as that between bend and m-m. Most projecting part of mouth-margin level with vibrissae. More thinly whitish-grey dusted, thoracic vittae more inconspicuous, hind margins of abdomen less well defined, sides largely red, at least in female, median vitta and tip black. 3: claws and pulvilli not much longer than fifth tarsal joint; frons one fifth head-width, in most British specimens with a strong proclinate seta;

red abdominal spots smaller. (In rufomaculata Deg., which does not seem to occur in Britain, the abdomen of the male is more extensively red, the proclinate seta absent and the frons usually narrower). Figs. 80, 12s, 13D. 5-10 mm.

Parasite of the foreign Arctia hebe L. (Arctidae), Noctudae and "Spinner" (= the old "Bombycids"). Generally distributed, Channel Is., England, Wales, Ireland (at least S. and W.), I.o.M., Scotland (to Inverness and Moray). e.vi-e.ix, common, especially on ragwort flowers

Eriothrix rufomaculata monochaeta Wainwright.

Subtribe Ernestina.

Belonging to Pantel's group 4. The hosts are Lepidoptera and, almost without exception, Heterocera. Pupation in the ground.

KEY TO GENERA.

1 (2) Third antennal segment 2 (2) to 3 (3) times as long as second (fig. 13a). Frontal setae descending below level of arista. pra shorter than second npl (fig. 13E); 3 + 3 acr; 3 post dc. Scutellum with fine cruciate apicals and three pairs of strong marginals. Fuscous-black, rather densely pale grey dusted, thorax with four (six) conspicuous black vittae, apex of scutellum orange; abdomen with large brassy-black shifting spots, hypopygium (3) or apex of fourth tergite (\mathcal{P}) orange. Transverse veins, especially r-m, suffused. \mathcal{P} : front tarsi strongly dilated. Fig. 13E, G. 5.5-8 mm. (= Eversmania auct. nec Robineau-Desvoidy).

Bred from Notodonta phoebe Sieb. (NOTODONTIDAE) and Hydriomena coerulata F. (Geometridae). Scotland: Perth to Sutherland. Durham: nr. Gateshead; Lancs.; Norfolk: Hickling (H. W. Andrews). b.v, m.vie.vii, moorland, on birches. Micronychia ruficauda Zetterstedt.

2 (1) Third antennal segment up to about half as long again as second (fig. 13H). Frontal setae descending to level of about middle, and never quite of apex, of second antennal segment. pra sometimes thinner but never markedly shorter than second npl (fig. 13F).

Glossy metallic green, blue-green, seldom darker, general appearance of a slender 3 (6) Lucilia. Only the anterior surface of the head whitish dusted. 3 + 3 acr. ♀: fore tarsi only slightly dilated.

4 (5) Mouth-margin hardly projecting (fig. 13π). Bend of m with a long appendage (never markedly shorter than $r ext{-}m$); $r ext{-}m$ setulose only near node. 4 post dc; apical (or closely placed subapical?) scutellars very strong and diverging. Intermediate abdominal segments with several pairs of discals. Palpi fuscous-black. J: fig. 13F, H. 6.5-11 mm.

Parasite of Petilampa minima Haw. (AGROTIDAE), Ortholitha chenopodiata L. (Geometridae), Dasychira pudibunda L. and Lymantria monacha L. (LYMANTRIIDAE). Generally distributed, England, Wales, I.o.M., Scotland

(to Sutherland), Ireland (Co. Cork), Hebrides. e.iii-e.vi (b.viii)

Gymnochaeta viridis Fallén. 5 (4) Mouth-margin strongly projecting. Bend of m without (or with a vestigial) appendage; r_{4+5} setulose more than halfway to r-m. 3 post dc; apical scutellars fine and cruciate, the strong diverging subapical ones widely separated. Intermediate abdominal segments usually with only one pair of discals. Palpi pale testaceous. 8-9 mm.

Host Horisme tersata Hb. (GEOMETRIDAE). Gloucs.: Rodborough, 17. vii.

- (3)Ground-colour blackish, not metallic. Pollinosity more conspicuous on dorsal surface.
- Parafacialia bare on lower half or more (fig. 13J); vibrissae lying above mouth-(8) margin as a rule by much less than width of third antennal segment. 3 stpl. First abdominal segment as a rule without marginals. Hair of jowls, pleurae and underside black and of normal rigidity even when fine. . Ernestia.
- 8 (7) Parafacialia densely and wholly hairy (fig. 131); vibrissae lying above mouthmargin by width of third antennal segment, peristomal setae therefore

ascending thus far in a double or triple row. 2 stpl, seldom 3. First abdominal segment with marginals. Hair of jowls, pleurae and underside soft and furry, that of the jowls wholly, that on the other parts in places, fawn coloured. 2+1-2 acr; 4 post dc. Fuscous-black, most of scutellum, and sides of abdomen in male, but for the hind margins, pale ferruginous. δ : fig. 13 μ . 9-12.5 mm.

Genus Ernestia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

KEY TO SPECIES.

- 1 (6) ♂: with indistinct hair-like ocellars and verticals (fig. 13J); frons in front of ocelli at most one-fifth head-width. ♀: second antennal segment and palpi pale orange, the former shorter than the third; fore tarsi very strongly dilated, second segment almost or fully as wide as long (fig. 13N). ♂♀: bend of m without, seldom with a vestigial, appendage. 4 post dc; 2-3 post acr. Black, scutellum usually more or less red; abdomen with large shifting spots, black ground-colour conspicuous, sides of segments (1-) 2-3 (-4) often orange in male. (Sbg. Ernestia s. str. = Panzeria Robineau-Desvoidy).
- 2 (3) Scutellum without decussate apical setae (fig. 13L), the most apical pair strong, diverging or parallel, less widely separated than the prsc acr from the dc; orange but for base. 2 prst acr, the pair at suture absent. Thorax with four undusted vittae in front of suture (fig. 13L). 3: frons one-sixth to one-fifth head-width at narrowest part (fig. 13K); superior forceps and tip of inferior fig. 13P. 2: frons more than a third head-width at vertex. 3: fig. 13J, K, L, P. 2: fig. 13N. 7-10 mm. (= glabrata Meigen of Meade)

- 3 (2) Scutellum with a pair of finer decussate apical setae (fig. 13m), which are seldom missing, in this case the strong subapical pair more widely separated than the prsc acr from the dc. δ: frons at narrowest part about a tenth headwidth, narrower than lunula. Q: frons almost to fully a third head-width at vertex.
- 4 (5) No prst acr behind level of prst dc (see fig. 13L). Thorax with four vittae, the paramedian pair separated by grey dust (see fig. 13L). Pale-dusted bands of abdomen less conspicuous near median line, the lateral surface of the second and third abdominal segments in male almost always broadly reddish as is the apex of the scutellum. δ: superior and tip of inferior forceps fig. 14λ, the former rugosely punctured and haired to apex, in lateral view almost straight. φ: genital segments broadly exposed, finely haired, fifth and sixth ventrites strongly transverse, sixth shining and convex, without a marked median groove (fig. 14c). 8-13 mm.

 Parasite of Panolis flammea Schiff., Orthosia stabilis Schiff. (AGROTIDAE),

5 (4) A pair of prst acr (normally) close to suture (fig. 13m); thorax with three broad black undusted vittae. Pale-dusted bands of abdomen more conspicuous, lateral surface usually without any red and the scutellum with very little. β: superior forceps (fig. 14B) smooth on apical half, which is sinuous in lateral view. φ: genital segments rather retracted (fig. 14D), obscured by dense bristles, fifth and sixth ventrites less transverse, concave and with a conspicuous median groove. Figs. 13m, 14m, d. 10-12·5 mm.

Kent to Devon to Merioneth to Worcs. Inverness, Moray. e.iv-e.vi, m.viivagans Meigen.

♂: with conspicuous ocellars and verticals (fig. 14E). ♀: second antennal segment fuscous-red to fuscous-black; tarsi (except in consobrina) less

dilated, second segment markedly longer than wide (fig. 130).

Scutellum without decussate apical setae, the most apical pair strong, diverging or parallel, less widely separated than the acr from the dc (see fig. 13L); wholly black. Bend of m with a distinct appendage, which may reach length of r-m (see fig. 140). 0(1)+1 acr. Second abdominal segment with strong discals and marginals. Black with conspicuous whitish dust, thorax with three broad undusted vittae (see fig. 13m); abdominal pollinosity not very dense; hind margins glossy black. σ : from more than a quarter head-width at narrowest part (fig. 14E); forcipes fig.14I. Figs. 12M, 13o, 14E, I. 8·3-11·5 mm. (Sbg. Fausta Robineau-Desvoidy).

Bred from Orthosia cruda Schiff. Kent to Devon to Hereford to Norfolk, Durham. (b.vi), (e.vi), m.vii-e.viii, downs, on white umbels (Angelica?)

nemorum Meigen. Scutellum with a pair of decussate apical setae (see fig. 13m), which are seldom (7)missing, in this case the subapical pair strong and more widely separated than the vrsc acr from the dc.

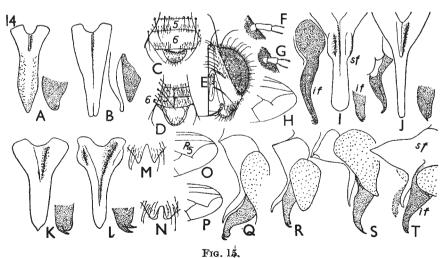
9 (10) Second segment of arista more than twice as long as wide at apex, as long as basal width of second antennal segment or longer (fig. 14F). Costal spine distinct. prst ia strong. Bend of m with a conspicuous appendage (fig. 14н). 2+2-3 acr. Black, apex of scutellum and sometimes small lateral areas on abdomen reddish; rather densely whitish dusted, thorax with 3-4 conspicuous undusted vittae anteriorly, the paramedian ones fused in male and some females; abdomen with whitish dusted anterior half of the segments, this dust almost halved by large shifting black spots. 3: from more than a quarter, Q: from more than a third, head-width. J: forcipes, fig. 14J. Figs. 14F, H, J. 7-10 mm. (Sbg. Appendicia Stein.)

Sussex, Glamorgan to Warwks. to Notts, to Sutherland, mainly on northern moorlands. b.v-b.vii, local.....truncata Zetterstedt.

10 (9) Second segment of arista less than twice as long as wide and much shorter than basal width of second antennal segment (fig. 14g). Costal spine indistinct. prst ia (normally) absent. (Sbg. Varichaeta Speiser and only caesia-Eurythia Robineau-Desvoidy)

11 (18) Palpi fuscous-black. d: apical half or so of inferior forceps straight (lateral view), stippled in fig. 140 and R.

12 (13) Fourth abdominal segment without the whitish pollinosity which is conspicuous on the intermediate segments, only with evenly distributed thin



brownish dust which becomes visible in a tangential view. 3 post dc. Parafacialia wider than third antennal segment, the latter somewhat longer than second. d: from at narrowest part almost a fifth head-width; forcipes: fig. 14k. 7.5-12.5 mm.

Bred from Nymphalis io L., Lophopteryx capucina L. (Notodontidae), Malacosoma (Lasiocampidae), Spilosoma (Arctiidae), and various Sphin-GIDAE and AGROTIDAE. Generally distributed, England, Wales, S. Scotland (to Dumbarton), Ireland, I.o.M. m. vii-o.ix, marshes, very common

radicum F. 13 (12) Fourth abdominal segment with whitish dust much like the intermediate

segments.

14 (15) Second antennal segment slightly longer than third. Normally 4 post dc. Parafacialia about as wide as third antennal segment. 3: frons at narrowest part one-sixth to one-fifth head-width; forcipes: fig. 14L. 8-5-12 mm.

Parasite of various Hadena and other Agrotinae. Three authentic records: Kent, Folkestone, bred 24.v., 6.vi, 11.vi, 21.vi.03 (L. A. Spencer), φ only; Hants.: Breamore Down, 19 and 23. vi. 53 (J. E. Collin and H. W. Andrews) δ♀; Herts: Chipperfield, 5.vii.53 (C. H. Andrewes!) ♀.....caesia Fallén.

15 (14) Second antennal segment not longer than third. 3 post dc.

16 (17) Parafacialia much wider than third antennal segment. Bend of m forming an abrupt angle with a short or vestigial appendage (fig. 140). 3: frons about three-tenths head-width; fourth ventrite, fig. 14m; forcipes in fig. 14q. \circ : from more than a third head-width. 8.5-10.5 mm. Glamorgan: Porthcawl; Hants.: New Forest; Sussex: Selsey (C. H. Andrewes!)

Suffolk: Worlington; Culford; Lancs. e.iv-b.vi, b.vii, marshes and wastes. conjugata Zetterstedt.

17 (16) Parafacialia much narrower below than third antennal segment. 3: from about a fifth narrowly rounded without an appendage (fig. 14p). head-width; fourth ventrite fig. 14N; inferior forceps in lateral view much less curved, otherwise like the superior forceps (fig. 14R) similar to those of

conjugata. Q: frons hardly three-tenths head-width. 8.5-II mm.

Bred from Mamestra persicariae L. (AGROTIDAE). S.W. England: Cornwall (St. Ives); Somerset, Gloucs., S. Ireland: Co. Waterford; Co. Kerry.

(fig. 14s, T), giving it a claw-like shape (lateral view).

19 (20) 3 post dc. S: from about one-sixth head-width; the tooth-like median keel on basal part of superior forceps (fig. 14s) shortly triangular in lateral view, broader than high, apex in posterior view shortly bifid (this can be seen when the genitalia are retracted, the two points lying close to the inner base of the lobes of the fourth ventrite). Q: from at vertex one-third head-width. 9-11.5 mm.

Sussex to Dorset to Bucks. to Suffolk. e.vi-e.viii, downland, local

vivida Zetterstedt.

20 (19) 4 post dc. 3: from less than one-sixth head-width; the tooth-like median keel on basal part of superior forceps (fig. 14T) very large, higher than broad, triangular, strongly compressed laterally, with simple apex. 2: from threetenths head-width. 9-11.5 mm.

Bred from Lymantria dispar L. (LYMANTRIIDAE), Eriogaster lanestris L. (LASIOCAMPIDAE), Saturnia pavonia L. (SATURNIIDAE), Mamestra brassicae L., oleracea L. and Cucullia artemisiae Hufn. (AGROTIDAE). Surrey, Hants., Somerset, Gloucs., Norfolk (frequent Fowl Mere), N. England (frequent Chatmoss, Lancs.), Ross. Co. Waterford, Co. Cork, Co. Kerry. (e.iv), b.vi-m.vi,

Subtribe LINNAEMYIINA.

Genus Linnaemyia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830 (=Micropalpus Macquart, 1834).

Parasites of Heterocera, apparently especially Agrotinae, habits as in Ernestina and Echinomyiina. Characters printed in italics distinguish the species in question from all other British Linnaemyia.

KEY TO SPECIES.

(4) Bend of m 3-5 times as distant from wing margin as from m-m (fig. 15a); most of C, basal quarter of discal cell and base of adjoining cells devoid of microscopic hairs (fig. 15a). Palpi 2-3 times as long as wide and hardly half as long as diameter of mentum. Hair of jowls all or almost all whitish, fine

(fig. 15B). Hair of mesopleura largely pale yellowish.

Femora and tibiae reddish yellow, coxae reddish yellow with a fuscous stripe along antero-ventral (-interior) surface. Parafacialia not wider than third antennal segment (fig. 12u). Abdomen brownish orange with the first segment largely and a median vitta piceous (fig. 15p). 3: without proclinate orbitals. 3: figs. 12u, 15A, D. 9-11.5 mm. (Linnaemyia Robineau-

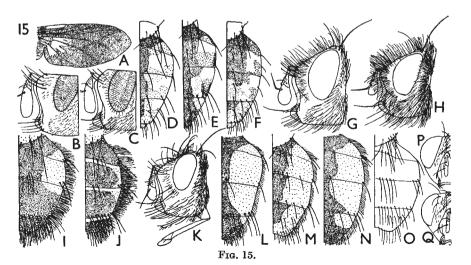
Bred from Hyloicus pinastri L. and Hemaris tityus L.? (SPHINGIDAE), Lycophotia porphyrea Hb., Eumichtis satura Schiff, and adusta Esp. (AGROTINAE), and Sphecia bembeciformis Hb. (SESIIDAE). Generally distributed, England, Scotland (to Ross and Orkneys). Ireland. m.vi-e.ix,

Femora and coxae fuscous black, tibiae dull reddish translucent. Parafacialia conspicuously wider than third antennal segment (fig. 15B). Abdomen fuscous-black, sides reddish, especially in male, but with fuscous lateral spots which often (always in Ω) coalesce with the dark coloration of the disc (fig. of with proclinate orbital setae; (fig. 15B, E). 8.5-11.5. (Bonnetia, R.-D., Micropalpus Macquart).

Bred from Hyloicus pinastri L. (SPHINGIDAE), Saturnia pavonia L. and Agrotis ypsilon Hufn., foreign Feltia, Euxoa, Peridroma, Laphygma, Polia, etc. Šūssex: Jevington; Lewes; Clapham Woods; Alfriston; Surrey: Bisley Common; Dorset: Doles-Ash; Coombe Keynes. Ross.: N. Sutor.

b.vi-m.vi, m.vii-m.viii, downland and wastes, local and rare

comta Fallén. (1) Bend of m about twice as distant from wing margin as from m-m. Palpi not shorter than diameter of mentum. Hair of jowls wholly or largely and of mesopleurae wholly black. Femora, coxae and often tibiae blackish. Parafacialia narrower than third antennal segment. Fuscous-black with conspicuous whitish dust, except on the black thoracic vittae and hind marginal bands of the abdomen; lateral part of tergites 2 and 3 broadly reddish in male. d: without proclinate orbital setae.



5 (6) Black hairs of the jowls all fine and of subequal thickness, lower part of jowls with some pale hairs. Most of C_2 , basal quarter of discal cell and base of adjoining cells devoid of microscopic hairs. \mathcal{J} : pale parts of abdomen more brownish yellow; hypopygium and first genital segment fuscous. 8·5-11·5 mm. (Amphisa Robineau-Desvoidy nec Curtis, Homoeonychia Brauer & Bergenstamm; = quadraticornis Meade).

Kent to Dorset to Oxon. to Suffolk. e.v-m.vi, b.viii-m.ix, marshes

pudica Rondani.

Some of the black hairs on the jowls conspicuously stronger and longer (fig. 15c), the hair all black. Wings entirely covered with microscopic hair. 3: pale parts of abdomen (fig. 15f) dull orange; hypopygium and first genital segment orange. 3: figs. 12o, 15c, f. 8-10·5 mm. (Bonellia Robineau-Desvoidy nec Rolando; Bonellimyia Townsend.)

Bred from Leucoma salicis L. (Lymantriidae), Celerio euphorbiae L. (Sphingidae) and Amathes c-nigrum L. (Agrotinae). Scotland: Suther-

land to Perth. N. England: Durham: Lancs. e.vi-b.ix

haemorhoidalis Fallén.

Subtribe ECHINOMYIINA

Parasites of Lepidoptera. Biology as in Ernestiina, but pupation of some species occurs in the host.

KEY TO GENERA.

1 (4) Parafacialia without strong (i.e., isolated and as strong as the inclinate frontals) setae near lower end of eyes (figs. 12v, 15g, н). Ocellars (normally) well developed. Propleural depression hairy (see fig. 7J, ↑).

4 (1) Parafacialia with a few strong setae, subequal to the inclinate frontals, near lower end of eyes (fig. 15k). Ocellars absent. Propleural depression bare. Normally the first abdominal segment without, the second with marginals (fig. 15L). 4 post dc. Jowls and mesopleurae with long black setulose hairs. Palpi and proboscis long and slender (fig. 15k). Fuscous-black, including antennae, shoulders and legs (except much of tibiae); face and palpi pale testaceous; scutellum and abdomen (fig. 15L) pale ferruginous, the latter with black base, tip and complete or incomplete median vitta. 3: with proclinate orbitals. 3: figs. 15k, L. 9-14 mm.

Genus Servillia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

1 (2) Parafacialia much more finely haired than the region of the lowest (descending) frontal setae (fig. 15a), hair not very dense, largely pale. Scutellum with cruciate apicals (fig. 15r). Abdominal segments as a rule without a pale-dusted basal band, more shining, usually with bright testaceous markings on lateral part (fig. 151). Hair shorter and largely pale. Femora usually more or less yellow. 3: fig. 15a, I. 11-13 mm.

Bred from Celerio euphorbiae L. (Sphingidae), Acronycta aceris L., Or-

Bred from Celerio euphorbiae L. (Sphingidae), Acronycta aceris L., Orthosia stabilis Schiff. and Cucullia verbasci L. (Agrotidae). Kent to Cornwall to Hereford to Suffolk. e.iii-b.vii, woodslurida F.

2 (1) Parafacialia as coarsely haired as the region of the lowest frontal setae; as strikingly black-bristly as anterior part of parafrontalia (fig. 15 m). Scuttellum without cruciate apicals (fig. 15 J). Second to fourth abdominal segments each with a narrow band of whitish dust along fore margin, less shining, without, or with less conspicuous, testaceous markings on lateral part. Hair longer. Femora dark throughout. J: fig. 15m, J. 11-16 mm.

Kent to Devon to Warwks, to Surrey. e.iii-m.vi.....ursina Meigen.

Genus Echinomyia Latreille, 1805.

ECHINOMYIE Duméril, 1800, *Tachina*, Meigen, 1803 nec 1838 (explanation, see under *Tachina*, p. 70). The species are found especially in sandy places.

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (2) Abdomen and thorax wholly piecous black, second and third segments with (3-)4 or more median marginals on each side (fig. 150). Scutellum with 4-6 marginal setae on each side (fig. 150). Thorax without distinct pollinosity. Head pale testaceous with dense golden dust, even on the infuscate parts; basal antennal segments pale ferruginous. Legs piecous black, tibiae paler. Lower calyptra fuscous. Wings yellowish orange at base up to r-m. 3: fig. 150. 13.5-20 mm.

In appearance and flight very similar to a bumble-bee. Bred from Hyloicus pinastri L. and Hemaris fuciformis L. (Sphingidae), Euproctis chrysorrhoea L. (Lymantridae), Lasiocampa quercus L., L. trifolii Schiff., and Macrothylacia rubi L., etc. (Lasiocampidae). Generally distributed, England, Wales, Scotland (to Ross.), Ireland. (b.ii), m.vi-e.viii (Scotland—m.ix) (forced hatchings 28.iii., 4.iv), woods, heaths, common locally.....grossa L.

2 (1) Abdomen reddish in part (fig. 15m, n), second segment with not more than 3-4 median marginals on each side. Scutellum with 3-4 marginal setae on each side.

3 (6) At least tibiae, palpi and basal antennal segments reddish yellow. Palpi subcylindrical. Thorax more or less grey dusted. Median vitta of abdomen (fig. 15m) almost parallel-sided, not or only slightly narrowed behind base of intermediate segments.

4 (5) Hair of jowls as a rule all yellow (fig. 12v). Frons of male one quarter to three-tenths head-width (fig. 15r), of female about one-third (up to 0·36) head width. Third antennal segment less broad and less black than in the same sex of magnicornis. ♂: proclinate orbitals absent; femora piceous, usually with pale apex. ♀: femora wholly pale, base sometimes narrowly infuscate. ♂: figs. 12v, 15m, p. (6·5-)10-14 mm.

6 (3) Tibiae dark brown to black, at most the hindmost pair somewhat reddish translucent; palpi dark brown on more than basal half, the reddish-yellow apical third clubbed and compressed. Antennae wholly fuscous. Thorax not grey-dusted, except in posterior view. Median vitta of abdomen (fig. 15N) strongly constricted shortly behind base of (second and) third segment, less than half as wide at narrowest part as at hind margin of third segment.

3: without proclinate orbitals. 11-15 mm. (Sbg. Fabriciella Bezzi.)

Bred from Apamea monoglypha Hufn. and Actinotia polyodon Clerck

Subfamily Tachininae.

KEY TO TRIBES.

1 (4) Bend of m without a darkened fold or appendage, broadly or narrowly rounded; R_5 ending close to wing tip (fig. 16E). Apical scutellars fine or absent (figs. 16A, B). 3 post dc, except in some Siphonini.

4 (1) Bend of m prolonged by a more or less distinct darkened fold or appendage, angular; R_5 ending well in front of wing tip (figs. 16F, G). Apical scutellars rather strong and cruciate (but absent in Ptychomyia), the subapical ones normal, diverging (figs. 16C, D). Mid tibiae usually with several ad setae.

- 6 (6) m-m very oblique, even more so than apical cross-vein; r_{4+5} setulose at least almost to r-m and usually beyond (fig. 16F). Apparent subapical setae of scutellum (the real ones weak or absent, the lateral ones very strong) which, apart from the apicals, are the distal ones of the strong setae, widely separated, as distant from apex as from base of scutellum (fig. 16c), sometimes even closer to base; apical setae strong and cruciate; several pairs of erect discal setae present on more than posterior half, the last of them much stronger and close to hind margin. Frons very broad in both sexes. Peristoma without an occipital dilation (figs. 21g-I). Parafacialia with one or several strong proclinate setae. prst ia present. Occiput without black setulae behind upper half of occipital row¹⁷
- VORIINI (p. 68).

 (5) m-m always less oblique than the apical cross-vein (fig. 16a). Subapical setae of scutellum closer to apex than to base of scutellum (fig. 16d, s)

TACHININI (p. 69).

Tribe Meigeniini (Compsilurini, Blondeliini).

KEY TO GENERA.

1 (10) Vibrissae lying distinctly above mouth-margin (figs. 16π , I), if not or only slightly so (fig. 16J), the eyes conspicuously and densely hairy, and the mouth-margin between the vibrissae more or less convex. R_5 always open (fig. 16E) or, at the most, closed in margin.

2 (7) Facial ridges bare on more than upper half (figs. 16g, H). Parafrontalia with 2(-3) reclinate and in female 2 proclinate setae, the reclinate setae not markedly bent outwards. Eyes bare, except in some *Meigenia*. Ocellars present.

3 (4) Second (and usually third) abdominal segment without discals (fig. 16κ). Dorsal margin of setulose area on jowls running obliquely downward and forward (fig. 16κ). Palpi pale orange. Basicosta dull orange. Propleural

¹⁷ The Voriini are very similar to the Wagneriini, and these two groups have been united by Villeneuve and by Mesnil, but the two reclinate frontal setae seem to separate them. Some Voriini have, moreover, the prosternum setulose, and some Wagneriini have a well-developed pv apical seta on the hind tibia. It would therefore be difficult to place both in the same section of Mesnil's system. As these three important characters (and others like the basal excavation of the abdomen, the hair of the occiput, etc.) all seem to point to heterogeneous origin, the similarity is perhaps not proof of relationship.

depression bare; thorax in posterior view appearing cinereous grey with four black vittae; abdomen uniformly cinereous grey dusted, in posterior view without paired spots. d: figs. 16н, к. 5.5-8.5 mm. (Biomya Rondani 1856, nec Byomya Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830).

In adult Carabidae of numerous genera. Kent to Somerset to Glam. to Hereford to Norfolk. (Moray?) e.v-e.viii, woods and wastes, uncommon

Viviania cinerca Fallén.

Second and third abdominal segments with discals (fig. 16L). Dorsal margin of the setulose area on the jowls bent forward at an obtuse angle at posterior lower extremity of eye and running towards vibrissa almost parallel with lower margin of head (fig. 161). Palpi fuscous. Basicosta fuscous. Abdomen less densely and not uniformly dusted.

Propleural depression bare. Apical scutellars shorter than longest hairs of scutellum, several pairs of strong erect discals present. Thorax whitish dusted with four narrow black vittae (fig. 16n); abdomen without or with slight reddish coloration laterally, with fuscous-black hind margins (fig. 16L). d: from about a quarter head-width. Q: inner ventral margins of second and third tergites contiguous and raised into a saw-like crest carrying short stout curved pointed setae (fig. 16m), a long piercer (p) hidden in it. 3: figs. 16L, N. $\,$ $\,$ $\,$: fig. 16M. $\,$ 5 · 5-9 mm.

Parasitic in many Agrotidae, several Geometridae, some Lymantriidae. LASIOCAMPIDAE, ARCTIIDAE, Phalera bucephala L. (NOTODONTIDAE), Brephos parthenias L., Yponomeuta, Eurrhypara, and occasionally sawflies (Athalia rosae L., Pteronidea ribesi Scop., Priophorus viminalis Fln. and a Diprion); abroad some Tortricidae, Phycitidae and Olethreutidae. A biological form which attacks almost exclusively Bupalus piniarius L. and which is almost always single-brooded has been separated as B. piniariae Hartig from the polyphagous more-brooded nigripes (also parasitizing Bupalus). Apart from some slight differences of the first larval instar, which apply to almost all specimens, no characters separating the forms have been found. An apparent difference in the width of the male frons (Sellers apud Dowden, 1933: 967) has been shown to be washed out entirely in larger series by fluctuating variation (H. F. van Emden, 1955). England and Wales, generally distributed. m.v-

Propleural depression setulose (fig. 161, †). Apical scutellars fine but much longer than hairs of scutellum (fig. 16A); only one pair of distinct discal (preapical) scutellars. Thorax of male (fig. 160) in posterior view largely black,

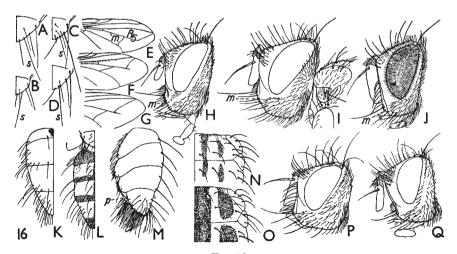


Fig. 16,

7 (2) Facial ridges ciliate normally on lower three-fifths or more (fig. 161). Eyes densely hairy. Apical cross-vein never concave in posterior part, either

convex or straight.

(9) Mid tibia with only 1 strong ad seta (see fig. 17c). Ocellars absent. 2 reclinate, and, in female, 2 proclinate orbitals. Mouth-margin not markedly projecting (fig. 16j). Prosternum setulose. Apical cross-vein forming an angle of about 130° with m. Palpi pale orange. ♂: from a third head-width or slightly less. ♀: ventral margins of tergites and piercer as in Blondelia. Thorax whitish dusted with four black vittae; abdomen with hind margins and a narrow median vitta black, the dark bands somewhat shifting, appearing on one side much widened towards median line. ♂: figs. 16E, J. 5·7-9 mm.

Parasite of very numerous species of Lepidopterous caterpillars, also bred from sawfly larvae of several families (e.g., Priophorus, Pteronidea, Cimbex, and a foreign Croesus and Neurotoma). Kent to Dorset to Somerset to Lancs.

to Lincs. (bred b.iii), e.iii-b.ix, gardens and wastes, common

Compsilura concinnata Meigen.

9 (8) Mid tibia with about 4-5 ad setae (see fig. 17d). Ocellars present. 1-2 reclinate, and in both sexes 1 proclinate, orbital seta, in addition 1-3 praeverticals which are bent outwards (fig. 16r). Mouth-margin strongly produced between vibrissae. Prosternum bare. 18 Apical cross-vein forming an angle of about 140-150° with m. Palpi fuscous. ♂: frons two-fifths head-width at vertex. ♀: abdomen without a saw-like ventral crest. Black and shining; thorax with beginning of 4 vittae, abdomen appearing undusted. ♂: fig. 16r. 6-8·5 mm.

Recorded as parasite of sawfly larvae (Croesus) and beetle adults (Chryso-

Recorded as parasite of sawfty larvae (Croesus) and beetle adults (Chrysomela). Hants, to Cornwall. Co. Cork. Channel Is. b.vii, e.vi, e.vii.

b. viii, m.ix-e.x, scarce, mainly coastal...... Perichaeta unicolor Fallén.

10 (1) Vibrissae level with mouth-margin (fig. 16q, 17r-H, K-M), seldom slightly above, but eyes always virtually bare. Discals always present on abdominal segments 2 and 3 (figs. 18L-o, t-v).

11 (26) R₅ open (see fig. 16E), seldom almost closed. Arista incrassate to at most about middle, never to end of second third (figs. 16Q, 17F-н, к, L). First

to fourth abdominal segments with strong marginals.

12 (19) Facial ridges bare, except on lower third or less, bristles above vibrissa small (figs. 16q, 17f, g). Scutellum without or with only 1 pair of erect discal setae (if with several pairs, see *Blondelia*, paragr. 5). $\hat{\varphi}$: ventral edges of tergites not raised into a saw-like crest.

13 (18) Mid tibia with at least 3-4 ad setae (fig. 17D, E). 2+1 stpl. Parafrontalia setulose (figs. 16Q, 17F). Mid femora with several a setae near middle

(fig. 17D).

14 (17) 2-3 ad setae of the mid tibiae strong, i.e., about a quarter the length of the tibia or longer, alternating with, or followed and preceded by, distinct much smaller ones (fig. 17D). m-m nearer to bend than to r-m (fig. 17A); base of r_{4+5} with several setulae. Palpi yellow. Thorax with whitish dust, with 4 very narrow black vittae; abdominal segments with whitish dust on about basal half or more of the segments.

15 (16) Apical scutellars small but distinct, crossed. Costal spine much longer than r-m; setulae on r₄₊₅ usually extending halfway to r-m or farther. Parafacialia markedly wider than third antennal segment (fig. 16q), the latter hardly twice as long as second. Dark hind margins of abdominal segments occupying fully a third of the length. J: frons almost a third head-width.

d: figs. 16q, 17A, D. 7-9 mm.

18 If the orbital setae differ and the apical cross-vein is concave, see Tachinini.

 19 Base of r_{4+5} with a single strong bristle (seldom 2). Palpi fuscous. Third antennal segment only about twice as long as wide. Hind tibiae with 3 d preapicals. See *Pelatachina* (MACQUARTIINI) which sometimes has a few setulae on the prosternum.

16 (15) Apical scutellars absent. Costal spine much shorter than r-m; setulae on r_{4+5} confined to region of node. Parafacialia at narrowest part at most as wide as third antennal segment, the latter about thrice as long as second. Dark hind margins of abdominal segments occupying a quarter to almost a third of length. β : frons less than three-tenths head-width. 7-10 mm. Bred from Deilephila porcellus L. (Sphingidae), Notodonta anceps Goeze

Bred from Deilephila porcellus L. (SPHINGIDAE), Notodonta anceps Goez (NOTODONTIDAE) and a foreign AGROTID. Probably not British.

Dexodes albisquama Zetterstedt.

17 (14) Only 1 ad seta of mid tibia strong, preceded by 1-2 short ones but not followed by any other setae (fig. 17E). m-m at middle between bend and r-m (fig. 17B), costal spine indistinct or absent. Palpi fuscous. Parafacialia much narrower below than third antennal segment (fig. 17F), the latter 3(3)-4(2) times as long as wide and reaching mouth-margin. Scutellum without distinct discal, preapical or apical setae. Abdominal segments with hardly basal third faintly whitish dusted. Frons almost to fully a third headwidth and with proclinate orbitals in both sexes. 3: figs. 17B, E, F. 5-7 mm. (Hypostena procera auct. nec Meigen; Apatelia Stein; Apatalina Enderlein.)

Parasite of adult Haltica (Chrysomelidae). Kent to Hants. to Hereford. to Worcs. to Herts. "vi," b.vii-b.viii, rare.. Arrhinomyia innoxia Meigen.

fifths or more (figs. 17H, K, L).

20 (23) Mid tibia with only one strong ad seta (see fig. 17c), and parafacialia bare (fig. 17H). Apical scutellars absent or hair-like.

21 (22) Occipital dilation obsolete anteriorly, where it carries some fine inconspicuous black hairs and an outstanding strong seta (fig. 17H, od). Dorsal basal excavation of abdomen not or hardly reaching level of marginals (fig. 17I). Thorax densely whitish grey dusted with four undusted vittae (fig. 17I);

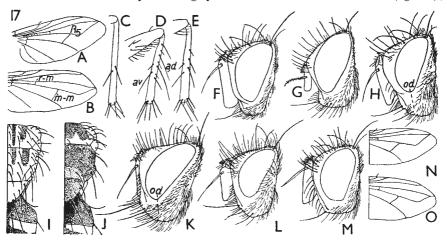


Fig. 17.

abdomen with a median vitta and more than basal half of the segments whitish dusted. σ : from with strong proclinate frontal setae, about one-third head-width at vertex. φ : ventral margins of tergites raised and forming a saw-like crest (as in *Blondelia*). σ : figs. 17H, I. 4·5–7 mm. (muscaria auct. nec Fallén.)

Hosts unknown according to Dr. K. G. Blair (the record in Audeent, 1942, refers to Oswaldia, of which an adult was found with Coelocrabro without obviously indicating parasitism). Sussex to Hants. to Hereford. to Worcs. to Mddx. e.vi-e.viii, scarce.....Microvibrissina villeneuvei Wainwright.

- 23 (20) Mid tibia almost always with two or more ad setae (see fig. 17E); if the proximal one is very small or absent, the parafacialia setulose on more than upper half. prst ia normally present. Dorsal basal excavation of abdomen not or hardly exceeding middle of first segment.²⁰ 2+1 stpl. Base of r_{4+5} with only a few setulae on node. Occipital dilation slight and broad, face strongly receding (fig. 17L, 19A-c).
- 24 (25) Praevertical seta absent (fig. 17L). Parafacialia bare. Lower anterior end of occipital dilation with 1-2 striking long setae. Fuscous black, not very thickly whitish grey dusted, thorax with four narrow vittae; abdominal segments with the basal two-thirds (3) or a narrow basal band which broadens to sides (\$\phi\$) whitish grey dusted. \$\delta\$: from at vertex one-third head-width, without proclinate orbitals. \$\delta\$: fig. 17L. 5-8 mm. (= Ceromasia sordidisquama auct. nec Zetterstedt.)

Recorded from GEOMETRIDAE (Itama wauaria L., Entephria caesiata Schiff.), an AGROTID (Acronycta alni L.) and vaguely assumed (Collins, 1926, Ent. mon. Mag. 62: 61) to parasitize a DELPHACID (Criomorphus pteridis Boh.) England, generally distributed. Wales: Caern., Merioneth. e.iii-e.vi (m.ix), in woods, sometimes common...... Oswaldia muscaria Fallén.

- 25 (24) Praevertical seta present (figs. 19A-c). Parafacialia setulose on more than upper half of inner part. Lower anterior end of occipital dilation without strong setae, the setulose hairs gradually becoming longer to mouth margin Trichopareia (p. 62).
- 26 (11) R₅ closed or petiolate (figs. 17n, o); if only closed, the arista thickened almost to tip (fig. 17m). Facial ridges with setae ascending to middle or beyond and usually almost or fully reaching level of descending frontal setae (fig. 17m). Frons at vertex in both sexes a third head-width or more. Face strongly receding below. Antennae very long especially in male.
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 27 (28) R₅ closed in margin (fig. 17N); base of r₄₊₅ setulose almost or fully to r-m; m-m as oblique as apical cross-vein. Mid tibia with about 3 ad setae which are stronger than the strongest pd. Arista thickened almost to tip (fig. 17M). Vertex more than two-fifths head-width. Thorax with four linear undusted vittae; tergites with the basal fifth to fourth densely silver white dusted. S: figs. 17M, N. 5-6·5 mm.

Parasite of Monoctenus juniperi L. (Hym. Diprion.). Only one doubtfu old British record (Burnley, Lancs., viii. W. G. Clutten; Piffard det.)

- Staurochaeta albocingulata Fallén. 28 (27) R_5 with a stalk about as long as r-m (fig. 170); base of r_{4+5} with only a few setulae on and near node; m-m less oblique than apical cross-vein. Mid tibia with only 1 strong ad seta, in addition often one or more setace present which are shorter than the strongest pd. Vertex about a third
- ²⁰ Dorsal basal excavation of abdomen exceeding middle of first segment considerably; r_{4+5} setulose to about r-m; occipital dilation narrow and rather conspicuous; see *Staurochaeta*, paragr. 27.

head-width. Thorax with some whitish dust in front of suture; abdomen without distinct whitish dust; first segment with marginals, the basal dorsal excavation not or slightly passing middle (fig. 18B). Apical scutellars fine but conspicuous, diverging (fig. 18, B, D). 3: proclinate orbital setae present

29 (30) Setae on facial ridges hardly reaching middle, descending frontal setae about reaching apical level of second antennal segment, widely separated from the former setae, but small black setulae on the parafacialia bridging the gap. Stalk of R_5 and costal spine not longer than r-m. Scutellum with shorter and longer decumbent hairs but without erect setae on disc. 4-4·5 mm. (= $Erynnia\ nitida\ Robineau$ -Desvoidy of Rondani, nec Robineau-Desvoidy; = $Anachaetopsina\ nitidula\ Villeneuve$).

Parasite of the larva of Galerucella luteola Müll. Audcent (1942) mentions this larva as the only host of "Erynnia nitida" but only on the basis of Continental records. According to Wainwright (1940) the British species is the true Erynnia nitida²¹, a parasite of LEPIDOPTERA (see p. 82), and I have seen

no British specimens or records of the present species.

Setae on facial ridges stronger, conspicuously exceeding middle and ascending to about level of descending frontal setae, which reach or exceed level of arista; parafacialia quite bare. Stalk of R_5 and costal spine about twice the length of r-m. Scutellum with several pairs of conspicuous erect discal setae; one of them on anterior half. \eth : figs. 18B, D, F. 3-8-5-5 mm. (= ocypterina Zett. auct. nec Zett.).

Parasite of Pterophoridae; also recorded from the pink cotton bollworm Pectinophora gossypiella Saund. Kent to Devon to Pembs, to Westmorland

to Yorks. e.v-e.viii, woods and marshes

Anachaetopsis zetterstedti Ringdahl.

Genus Meigenia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

The species have never been very clearly distinguished, and it is uncertain to which forms published localities, hosts, etc., refer. It is also doubtful whether the characters used by Wainwright and adopted here will always allow the forms to be separated.

1 (2) Eyes densely haired, the hairs $1\frac{1}{2}$ -2 times as long as the diameter of an ocellus (fig. 18a). 3: arms of superior forceps (in normal position on the specimen in ventral view) strongly diverging so as to form a \vee ; inferior forceps

 21 It differs by the pra being subequal in length to the first $post\ dc$, the dorsal basal excavation of abdomen reaching hind margin of first tergite, etc.

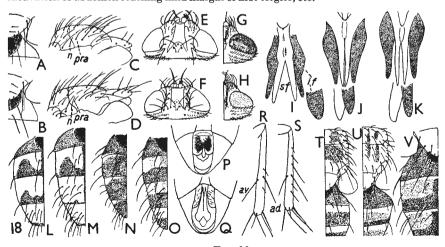


Fig. 18.

elongate elliptical with broadly rounded apex and hardly narrowed apical part (fig. 181). S: figs. 186, 1. 6-7 mm. (Mystacella Wulp, 1890.)

2 (1) Eyes almost bare, the hairs being sparse and shorter than the diameter of an ocellus (figs. 161, 181). 3: arms of superior forceps (in normal position on the specimen and ventral view) closely adjacent and almost or quite parallel (figs. 181, K).

3 (4) Superior and inferior forcipes in lateral view straight and not diverging from one another at apex (fig. 18j); inferior forceps broad and strongly wedge-shaped, tapering to a somewhat blunt point; both with numerous long hirsute hairs, which are considerably longer than width of forceps. Abdomen with paired spots on both the second and third segments. Figs. 16i, 18j. 6 mm.

Bred from Phytodecta rufipes Degeer. Kent to Devon to Caern. to Suffolk.

m.v-m.vi, b.vii-b.x, especially on chalk pilosa Baranoff.

(6) Length 3 to just over 5 mm. Second and third abdominal segments each with a pair of spots, which usually coalesce behind with median vitta (var.

floralis auct. nec Fallén). d: figs. 18н, L.

The host records for this and the following form cannot be separated; they have been recorded from Chrysomelid larvae (Criocennae, Chrysomelinae, Galerucinae), sawfly larvae, Lepidopterous larvae and Chorthippus (Acrididae). Surrey to Cornwall to Pembs. to Hereford. to Notts. to Yorks. Inverness., Moray. e.iv—e.viii, woods, sometimes common....mutabilis Fallén.

6 (5) Length as a rule 6-8 mm. Third abdominal segment usually without paired spots, but if they are present they do not coalesce with the median vitta; those on the second segment as a rule present, separated from median vitta. Male appearing greyer owing to a reduction of the markings. 3: figs. 16A, 0, 18K, M.

Kent to Cornwall to Glam. to Staffs. to Notts. to Yorks. Moray. m.v-m.ix bisignata Meigen.

Genus **Degeeria** Meigen, 1838 (=? *Medina* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830, auct.).

1 (2) 3·4-5·5 mm. Halteres fuscous. Abdomen almost without whitish-dusted bands (fig. 18n), pollinosity thin and restricted to at most basal third (3) or half (?) of lateral surface. 3: hind end of lobes of fourth ventrite somewhat raised and with a dense tuft of erect setulose hairs, the tufts of the two sides somewhat converging (fig. 18p). 9: both the inner and outer verticals well developed. 3: figs. 18n, p. (= pulchella Meigen, funebris Meigen.)

Parasite of adult Chrysomelidae (Plagiodera, Agelastica, Haltica), also recorded from larvae of Peronea maccana Tr. (Torthicidae) and Eucosma sordidana Hb. Hants. to Dorset. to Glam. to Hereford. to Suffolk. e.v-e.vi, e.vii-e.viii, woods, sometimes abundant......luctuosa Meigen.

2 (1) 4·3-8·5 mm. Halteres pale reddish yellow. Abdomen with conspicuous whitish-dusted bands (fig. 180), pollinosity quite dense and occupying whole basal width of segments 2-4, except for a narrow black median vitta, and half the length or a little more on lateral surface. 3: fourth ventrite simple without tufts of dense hairs (fig. 18q). \(\varphi\): outer vertical seta indistinct or absent. \(\delta\): figs. 17j, \(\kappa\), \(\varphi\). \(\varphi\): outer vertical seta indistinct or absent. \(\delta\): figs. 17j, \(\kappa\), \(\varphi\).

Parasite of adult Chrysomelidae (Galerucella luteola Müll. and Lochmaea suturalis Thoms.). England, Wales, Scotland, generally distributed. Co. Cork. m.v-b.viii, m.ix, heaths and coastal wastes collaris Fallén.

Genus Trichopareia Brauer & Bergenstamm, 1889.

Most authors who have dealt with this genus have remarked that there is hardly any difference between it and Admontia Brauer & Bergenstamm, 1889. As T. blanda is certainly less similar to T. seria than the latter to Admontia podomyia the species can more satisfactorily be keyed out if the two genera are united. Parasites of leatherjackets (larvae of Tipulidae).

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (4) Mid tibia (fig. 18n) with only 1 strong ad (and sometimes a small one basad, another small one sometimes distad, both not longer than the pd setae). Apical scutellars absent or hair-like (figs. 18r, u). Second abdominal segment usually with only one pair of marginals and discals (figs. 18r, u). Second segment of arista up to about twice as long as wide (figs. 19A, B).

2 (3) Thorax on each side with only one black vitta, which is broad and carries along its middle the dc (fig. 18τ). Parafacialia at narrowest part two-thirds (3) to fully (\$\Pi\$) as wide as third antennal segment (fig. 19A); setulose to lower level of eye. Mid tibia with 1-2 small ad setae in addition to the strong one (fig. 18R). β: figs. 18R, τ, 19A. 4-7 mm.

Hants., Monmouth., Hereford,, Salop?, Cambs., Suffolk, Norfolk, West-

Hants., Monmouth., Hereford., Salop?, Cambs., Suffolk, Norfolk, West-morland. Argyll., Perth., Inverness., Aberdeen. b.vii-m.viii (vi-x, C. D. Day) blanda Fallén.

3 (2) Thorax on each side with two black vittae (fig. 18u), the paramedian ones narrow and separated from the broader, but interrupted, outer ones by a whitish-dusted stripe, on which the dc are situated. Parafacialia at narrowest part hardly half as wide as third antennal segment, bare on lower quarter or third (fig. 19b). Mid tibia with only 1 ad. J: figs. 18u, 19b. 5-7 mm.

Bred from Dictenidia bimaculata L. (H. Main; Marg. van Emden!!). Essex: Epping Forest, bred v.21 (H. Main); Buckhurst Hill, bred e.v.48 (host coll. by J. F. Shillito!); Hants.: New Forest, 19.viii.39 (J. E. Collin!) decorata Zetterstedt.

4 (1) Mid tibia with 2-4 strong ad setae, at least two of them conspicuously longer than the pd setae (fig. 18s). Thorax with two pairs of black vittae as in decorata (see fig. 18u).

5 (6) pd preapical of hind tibia shorter than the d one (fig. 19D). Apical scutellars absent or hair-like, shorter than the preapical setae. Second abdominal segment with only one pair of marginals and discals. Abdomen with dense pale, often golden, grey pollinosity which almost reaches the hind margin of the segments and which shows shifting spots. Figs. 18s, 19D. 5·5-8 mm.

Parasite of wood-boring leatherjackets of the genera Dictenidia, Ctenophora and Tanyptera. Hants., Glam. to Warwks., Ches. to Notts. to Perth. m. vi-

Merioneth. Inverness to Aberdeen. (Hereford., Salop ?, and probably Notts. in Wainwright refer to blanda.) m.vi-b.vii, b.viii

amica (Meigen ?), Villeneuve.

Tribe Siphonini.

KEY TO GENERA.

1 (4) r₄₊₅ with only 1(-2) setulae on node; other veins bare (figs. 19F, a). Mid tibia with only 1 ad seta (fig. 19I, J); legs wholly black. First abdominal

segment without marginals, second and third without discals (see fig. 19P). Wholly fuscous black with some grey dust. Length below 5 mm.

(3) Apical cross-vein and m-m present, m reaching margin at or very little before apex (fig. 19F). Halteres pale reddish yellow. Setae on facial ridges reaching about lower third. ad of mid tibia almost at apical third (fig. 191). Abdomen with narrow but conspicuous basal bands of greyishwhite dust. Lower calvptra somewhat smoky. Figs. 19F, I. 3.5-4.8 mm. (= ? Elfia Robineau-Desvoidy 1850).

Recorded as parasite of Oecophora (Esperia) sulphurella F. and Tinea granella L. (K. G. Blair!) and cloacella Hw. Kent to Devon. to Hereford to

Sutherland. b.iv-b.vi, e.vi-b.ix, b.x.. Craspedothrix zonella Zetterstedt.

(2) Apical cross-vein and m-m absent, m incomplete and quite straight from r-m onwards and falling short of margin by 3-4 times the length of r-m (fig. 19c). Halteres fuscous. Setae on facial ridges ascending at least almost to middle. ad of mid tibia hardly distad of middle (fig. 195). Abdomen without trace of pale-dusted bands, but with very narrow brown-dusted bands at extreme base of lateral surface : δ : figs. 19g, π , j. 2·7-4·3 mm. Parasitic in caterpillars of Heterocerous Lepidoptera (Colotois pennaria L., Geometridae, Adaina microdactyla Hb., Pterophoridae, Gypsonoma neglectana Dup., and Eucosma triquetrana Hw., Olethreutidae). Kentto Cornwall to Merioneth. to Herts. Aberdeen., Sutherland. e.iv-m.viii

Phytomyptera nitidiventris Rondani.

- (1) r₄₊₅ setulose almost to r-m or beyond (figs. 191, Q, R).
 (6) Mid tibia with several strong ad setae (fig. 19K). Second and third abdominal segments with strong though somewhat irregular discals (fig. 190). Subapical scutellars about as widely separated from each other as from base (fig. 19M). Setulae on r_{4+5} reaching about r-m (fig. 19L). Legs, palpi, base of antennae, and interfrontalia pale ferruginous, the posterior part of the interfrontalia, and parts of the femora infuscate. Densely pale grey dusted, thorax with three broad suffused brown-dusted vittae, abdominal segments with a median vitta and broad suffused spots, which tend to fuse with the median vitta (fig. 190). J.: figs. 19k-m, o. 4.5-6 mm. (Thryptocera auct. nec Macquart, Euthryptocera Townsend, Ceromyia auct. nec Robineau-Desvoidy.)

Parasite of Malacosoma neustria L. and Drepana lacertinaria L. Gloucs.: Cheltenham; Bucks.: Langley; Essex: Colchester. b.-m.v

Ceranthia versicolor Fallén.

- Mid tibia with only 1 ad seta (see figs. 191, J). Abdominal segments without discals. Subapical scutellars much closer to each other than to base (fig. 19n).
- Proboscis of normal length, straight, about half as long as height of head, (8)with normal broad soft labella Actia (p. 63).
- Proboscis long and thin, strongly elbowed, in resting position doubled back, about twice as long as height of head; labella filiform, longer than mentum.

Genus Actia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.^{21a}

- Only r_{4+5} with setulae (figs. 19Q, R, 20B). 1 (10)
- Lower prostigmatal strong and strongly curved downward (fig. 19T †).

²¹a In 1850 (Ann. Soc. ent. Fr. (2) 8:190) Robineau-Desvoidy removed one of the original two species (his cingulata) to a new genus Elfia "intermédiaire aux Néeres et aux Acties" (Robineau l.c.), which "de toute évidence" (Mesnil 1954, Explor. Parc Nat. Albert, Mission de Witte, fasc. 81:5) appears to equal Craspedothrix, and restricted Actia in the next instalment of the same work (1851, Ann. Soc. ent. Fr. (2) 9: 185) to the second species A. pilipennis Robineau-Desvoidy (nec Fallén) and a new one, thus making his original genus Actia monotypic and thereby fixing pilipennis as its type. Mesnil's conclusion (1954, p. 5) that the genotype of Actia is cingulata and that the name Actia must be transferred to Craspedothrix whilst for the large and important genus Actia other names must be found, is thus untenable.

Femora piceous. r_{4+5} setulose to well beyond $r ext{-}m$; $m ext{-}m$ much closer to $r ext{-}m$ than to bend (fig. 19q). Scutellum fuscous with the tip sometimes testaceous. Halteres pale reddish yellow. Palpi and basal antennal segments pale ferruginous, tibiae translucent testaceous. Thorax without distinct traces of vittae; tergites fuscous with the basal fourth or so whitish grey dusted (fig. 19p). 3: third antennal segment cleft nearly to base, so as to appear duplicated in lateral view. Figs. 19p, Q, T. 3·5-4·5 mm.

Parasite of Ourapteryx sambucaria L. Hants., New Forest; Somerset: Clevedon; Gloucs.: Coombe Dingle; Blaise Castle; Middx: Finchley (C. H.

Andrewes!); Inverness.: nr. Grantown. b.v, b.vi, b.vii-b.viii

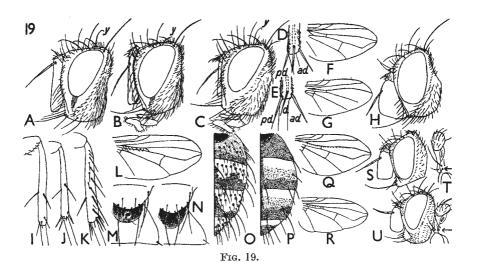
fissicornis Strobl.

(2) Lower prostigmatal hair-like or more or less strong, in the latter case curved upward like the upper prostigmatal (fig. 19u 1). Femora and scutellum wholly testaceous, if the setulae on r_{4+5} exceed r-m.

- Shoulders, scutellum, abdomen and legs pale testaceous to pale ferruginous: antennae, including arista, of the same colour, with the larger apical part of the third segment browned. Setulae on r_{4+5} far exceeding r-m (see fig. 190). Second segment of arista about twice as long as wide at apex (fig. 19u); parafacialia setulose on upper third. Figs. 19n, v. 4·5-6·4 mm.

 Parasite of Heterocerous Lepidoptera (Eriogaster lanestris L., Lasiocampa quercus L., Eupithecia denotata Hb., Scardia boleti F.). England, Scotland, widely distributed. e.iv, e.v-e.ix, on heathland birches.....bicolor Meigen.
- (4) Shoulders, most of scutellum and of abdomen fuscous, and at least fore femora largely infuscate; third antennal segment and arista largely fuscous. Setulae on r_{4+5} not or hardly exceeding r-m (fig. 19R, 20R); often rather strong. Second segment of arista at least thrice as long as wide at apex, usually longer (fig. 19s).
- Only second and third segments of arista elongate (fig. 19s); parafacialia setulose on upper third or half.
- Femora black with reddish knees. Halteres fuscous.²² Sixth vein fading out one-fifth of its length from margin. Parafacialia thrice as wide as

22 If halteres pale testaceous, abdomen wholly dark in ground-colour, third antennal segment very large and broadened, see verralli, in which the setulae on r_1 may be rather indistinct.



arista. Thorax densely pale grey dusted, with vestiges of 3 brown vittae; abdomen densely dusted, hind quarter or fifth of the first 3 segments fuscous-brown. r_{4+5} with only 5–8 rather long and strong setae, which are evenly spaced from node to r-m. Setae of thorax long and strong; 3 (–4) $post\ dc$. \mathfrak{P} : fore tarsi not dilated. 6 mm.

8 (7) Femora largely testaceous with browned tips; dorsal surface of the fore femora wholly browned; femora sometimes more extensively browned. Halteres pale testaceous. Sixth vein reaching wing margin. (fig. 19x). Parafacialia somewhat wider than arista (fig. 19s). 3 post dc (type form) or 4 post dc (var. lichtwardtiana Villen.). Thorax not very densely dusted, with vestiges of 4 narrow, darker grey vittae; abdomen testaceous translucent²² on basal lateral part of proximal segments, narrowly or indistinctly in female but broadly in male (fig. 20n). Otherwise like exoleta. J: figs. 19x, s, 20n. 3-4-5 mm.

Bred from Cosymbia annulata Schultz and Acasis viretata Hb. (Geometridae). Salop to Perth. to Sutherland. m.vi-b.viii..anomala Zetterstedt.

9 (6) First segment of arista almost or fully as long as second, arista therefore bent twice (fig. 20A); parafacialia bare, not wider at middle than arista at base; setulae of parafrontalia not or hardly exceeding frontal setae in front. Halteres infuscate. Sixth vein falling considerably short of wing margin (fig. 20B). Wholly fuscous, rather densely pale grey dusted; legs pale testaceous with tarsi browned and femora partly infuscated. 3: figs. 20A, B. 3·4-4·5 mm.

Hosts unknown. Sussex to Devon. to Worcs. to Cambs. b.v-b.vi.

nigrohalterata Villeneuve.

- 10 (1) At least the apical section of r_1 setulose (figs. 20c, D, F) on dorsal surface (in *verralli* with very few setulae). Lower prostigmatal hair-like or, if more or less strong, curved upward like the upper prostigmatal (fig. 19u \uparrow).
- 11 (14) Fifth vein bare (fig. 20c). r_1 with setulae on dorsal surface of apical (upcurved) part only. Halteres pale reddish yellow.
- 12 (13) Legs, most of third antennal segment, parafrontalia, and scutellum, except for its extreme tip, fuscous in ground-colour like the body; interfrontalia rufous-brown and only slightly wider than a parafrontale (fig. 201). Second segment of arista about twice as long as wide; third antennal segment of normal size (fig. 20a). Sixth vein not nearly reaching margin of wing. Abdomen with thicker pale grey dust at extreme base of segments, extending more thinly to beyond middle (fig. 20o). S: figs. 20a, I, O. 3·4-5·3 mm.

Host: Monopis rusticella Clk. (TINEIDAE). Surrey to Cornwall to Hereford, to Norfolk. e.vi-b.ix.....antennalis Rondani.

13 (12) Legs, antennae, parafrontalia and apical half of scutellum largely pale ferruginous to testaceous; interfrontalia orange yellow, more than twice as wide as a parafrontale (fig. 20j). Second segment of arista about four times as long as wide, third antennal segment very large (fig. 20h). Sixth vein reaching margin of wing (fig. 20c). Thorax and abdomen fuscous with cinereous dust, abdomen in posterior view with a narrow dark median vitta and on the third segment a pair of shifting spots. 3: figs. 20c, h, j; cover drawing. 5 mm.

Hosts unknown. Sutherland: The Mound; Inverness: nr. Grantown; Salop: Whixall Moss. m.vii-b.viii......verralli Wainwright.

- 14 (11) Fifth vein with some black setulae on dorsal surface from base of discal cell onwards and sometimes extending beyond apex of that cell (figs. 20D-F).
- 15 (16) Apical cross-vein absent, m straight from m-m to tip and falling short of wing margin by about thrice length of r-m (fig. 20D); last section of fifth vein as a rule more than twice as long as m-m; r₁ setulose on dorsal surface of middle and apical thirds. Palpi fuscous. Thorax (fig. 20K) grey dusted with 4 linear dark brown vittae; abdomen fuscous with very narrow silver white basal bands interrupted at middle (fig. 20P). 3: figs. 20D, K, P. 3·2-5·3 mm. (=lamia Meigen).

Parasite of Lasiocampa quercus L. (Lasiocampidae), Eucosma pflugiana F., Laspeyresia cosmophorana Tr. (Olethreutidae), Ourapteryx sambu-

caria L. (GEOMETRIDAE). Kent to Cornwall to Hereford. to Warwks. to Oxon. b.v-e.vii, "viii," woods and marshes......frontalis Macquart.

16 (15) Apical cross-vein present and reaching wing margin, m therefore with the normal bend (figs. 20E, F); last section of fifth vein less than twice as long as m-m. Palpi pale orange.

17 (18) r_1 setulose on dorsal surface of only apical third (see fig. 20c). Antennae, including arista, orange, third antennal segment hardly browned. Coloration as in frontalis. 4-5.8 mm. (=pilipennis Fallén of Villeneuve).

Parasite of Evetria buoliana Schiff. and resinella L. (OLETHREUTIDAE).

Surrey: Weybridge; Hants.: Aldershot; Suffolk. m.vi-b.vii

nudibasis Stein.

18 (17) r_1 setulose on dorsal surface of middle and apical thirds, i.e., from origin of r_8 onwards (see fig. 20d).

19 (20) Thorax and abdomen shining reddish yellow, legs pale testaceous; antennae pale ferruginous with the third segment largely browned and apex of arista infuscate. r_1 setulose on middle and apical thirds of dorsal, and apical third of ventral surface; setulae on fifth vein reaching m-m. 3 strong post dc. 5 mm.

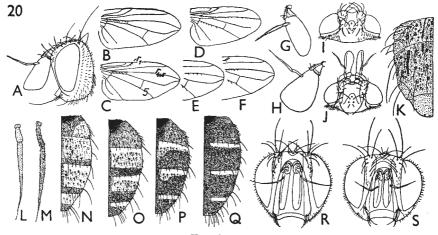
Hosts unknown. Cambs.: Chippenham Fen, 9 dates between 10.vi and 27.vii......silacea Meigen.

20 (19) Thorax and abdomen fuscous in ground-colour. Antennae fuscous, the arista at least infuscate, dorsal edge of third antennal segment convex or straight.

21 (22) Third segment of arists tapering from basal sixth or eighth onwards, incrassate part brownish orange, much paler than its pubescence (fig. 20L). Setulae on fifth wing vein reaching m-m (fig. 20E); r₁ setulose normally on dorsal surface only; apical cross-vein virtually straight in apical half. 4 post dc. S: figs. 20E, L, Q. 3-5 mm. (= reducta Villeneuve.)

Parasite of many Tortricidae (Tortrix viridana L., Sparganothis pilleriana Schiff., Peronea logiana Schiff., P. hastiana L., P. aspersana Hb. (Blair, i.l.), Argyrotoza bergmanniana L. (!), Cacoecia pronubana Hb., Ditula angustiorana Haw.), Eucosmidae (Eucosma sordidana Hb., Argyroploce schulziana F., Evetria buoliana Schiff., resinella L.), Oecophoridae (various Depressaria), Hyponomeutidae (Hyponomeuta euonymellus L.), Phycitidae (Dioryctria abietella Schiff., splendidella H.-S.) and occasionally larger Heterocera (Euproctis phaeorrhoea Don., Orthosia gracilis Schiff.). England, Wales (Sussex to Cornwall to Caern. to Notts.), Scotland (Perth to Sutherland). Co. Kerry. m.iv-e.viii, ix, x, woods, very common

pilipennls Fallén.



F10. 20.

22 (21) Third segment of arista parallel-sided on basal two-fifths, incrassate part dark brown, hardly paler than its pubescence (fig. 20m). Setulae on fifth vein not reaching m-m; r_1 setulose on dorsal surface and on apical third of ventral surface (fig. 20F); apical cross-vein markedly concave towards

apex. Figs. 20F, M. 4-5·3 mm.

Parasite of various Tortricidae (Tortrix viridana L., Cacoecia oporana L., xylosteana L.), Eucosmidae (Evetria buoliana Schiff. and resinella L.), OECOPHORIDAE (Depressaria applana F. and putridella Schiff.), Phaloniidae (Phtheochroa rugosana Hb.), Glyphipterygidae (Anthophila pariana Clerck) and Ртекорновидае (Oidaematophorus lithodactylus Tr.). England, Wales, Scotland (to Inverness. and Skye), generally distributed. e.v-b.ix, woods and gardens, very common.....crassicornis Meigen.

Genus Siphona Meigen, 1803.

(= Crocuta Meigen, 1800, = Bucentes Latreille, 1809.)

Siphona has by some authors been referred to the Stomoxydine genus Lyperosia Rondani. However, Meigen's description of the proboscis and arista shows beyond doubt that his "Stomoxys irritans F." in 1803 was a species of the present genus and not irritans of Linnaeus and Fabricius.

The species are variable and difficult to name. On certain localities special forms are found, and a thorough study over the whole of Europe might show that some of these are separate species. S. maculata is fairly easily recognised though containing several local forms. Discrimination between geniculata and cristata, on the other hand, will not always be easy, and it is not improbable that all three species interbreed.

There are often several larvae in one host specimen, attached to the main

tracheae.

KEY TO SPECIES.

(2) Eyes (in facial view, the upper margin of the anterior ocellus to be kept level with the lower margin of the posterior ones) not reaching level of vibrissae (fig. 20R). Normally: 3 post dc; first tergite without marginals (fig. 21A), parafacialia with only 2-4 very small setulae very close to the descending setae; second segment of arista longer than apical diameter of second antennal segment; mentum shorter than height of head; thorax with traces of three vittae; abdominal segments with rather large paired fuscous spots (fig. 21A). 3: figs. 20E, 21A. 3-4:7 mm.

Parasite of Mamestra brassicae L., see also under cristata. England,

Wales, Scotland (to Ross). e.iii, e.iv-m.viii, wastes, locally common

- (Odd specimens may have 4 post dc, or small marginals on the first tergite, or the second aristal specimens may have 4 post ac, or small marginals of the first tergite, of the second alistate segment shorter, etc. A series from Scottish localities deviates by the mentum being fully as long as height of head; 15 specimens from Cambs. and Norfolk have the mentum one-fifth to one-quarter longer than that height, 4 post dc and the jowls narrower; etc., etc. A series named flavifrons Staeger by Wainwright—from Devon., Lancs. and Scottish counties—is considerably larger—46-58 mm.—mentum slightly longer than height of head, the majority have 4 post dc and some have strong marginals on first tergite. At least these large specimens are probably hybrids between geniculata and maculata.)
- (1) Lower extremity of eyes reaching or exceeding level of vibrissae (fig. 20s). Normally 4 post dc. Thorax without vittae; abdominal segments without distinct spots or only with a pair of dots (figs. 21B, D). Third antennal segment not reaching level of vibrissae, dorsal and ventral edges almost parallel.
- (4) First tergite (normally) without marginals (fig. 21B). Lower eye margin slightly exceeding level of vibrissae. Abdomen largely yellow in male with apex and median vitta dark, more or less broadly yellow laterally at base in female. 3: fig. 21s. 4·3-5·5 mm.

Recorded as parasite of Tipulid larvae (Tipula maxima Poda), Pegomyia nigritarsis Zett. (?) and various caterpillars of Lepidoptera Heterocera, especially

AGROTIDAE. (Some of the records concern maculata, which has often been considered identical with this species.) England, Scotland (up to Sutherland), generally distributed. m.v-b.vi, b.vii-b.ix, wastes, very common

cristata F.

(3) First tergite (normally) with a pair of strong marginals (fig. 21c). Lower eye margin just reaching level of vibrissae (fig. 20s). Abdomen of male often yellow at sides, of female wholly grey. 3: figs. 20s, 21c. 3-6.5 mm.

Recorded as a parasite of larval Tipula maxima Poda, oleracea L., and paludosa Meig. and of caterpillars of Agrotinae, Larenthinae and Vanessa urticae L. Life history: Rennie and Sutherland, 1920, Parasitol. 12:199. England, Wales, Scotland (to Sutherland), Ireland, I.o.Man, Channel Is., generally distributed. b.iv, m.v-b.xi, very common.....geniculata Degeer.

Tribe VORHNI

Genus Voria Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830 (Athrycia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830) In the British species R_5 is open or closed in margin, not petiolate.

1 (2) r_1 setulose on dorsal surface. Intermediate abdominal segments (fig. 21D) with only marginals (those of the third segment somewhat removed from margin, sometimes behind them a pair of smaller setae at margin). Parafacialia with only 1 strong proclinate seta (fig. 21a). Eyes bare. Palpi fuscous with orange tips. Black, thorax with 4 undusted vittae, abdomen with broad glossy black hind margins. J: figs. 21p, g. 6-8.5 mm. (Sbg. Voria s. str. = Plagia Meigen.)

Parasite of Agrotidae (Mamestra brassicae L., Anarta myrtilli L., Laphygma exigua Hb., and especially various Plusia), also bred from Arctia caja L. (!), Vanessa atalanta L. and the sawfly Diprion pini L. England, Wales, generally distributed. Moray. Channel Is. m.v-m.x, wastes and marshes

ruralis Fallén.

(1) r_1 bare. At least third abdominal segment with well-developed median discals (fig. 21E), or eyes densely hairy (fig. 211).

(4) Eyes bare. Second and third abdominal segments with discals and marginals (fig. 21E). Parafacialia with at most 2-3 strong proclinate setae (fig. 21H). Palpi fuscous (typical form) or dull orange (ab. curvinervis Zetterstedt). Ocellars strong, equal to the stronger (though not the 1-2 strongest) setae of the frons. Marginal bands of abdomen narrower (fig. 21E). d: figs. 21E, H, 16c, F. 6-8.5 mm. (Sbg. Athrycia Robineau-Desvoidy.)

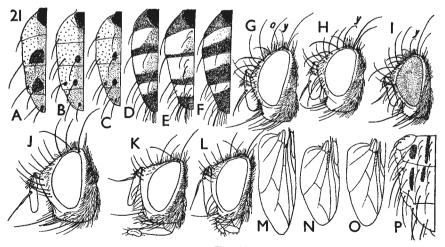


Fig. 21.

Parasite of numerous Agrotidae (Mamestra persicariae L., oleracea L., Tholera popularis F., Orthosia miniosa F., incerta Hufn., gracilis Schiff., stabilis Schiff., Anarta myrtilli L., Plusia gamma L., Abrostola tripartita Hufn., Heliothis viriplaca Hufn., and foreign Cucullia and Apopestes), also bred from Eucosma sordidana Hb. (Olethreutidae), and abroad from a Spilosoma (Arctidae) and recorded from the sawfty Diprion pini L. Kent to Devon. to Hereford. to Notts., the var. also Ches. and S.W. Ireland. b.v-b.ix, woods, heaths and wastes......trepida Meigen.

4 (3) Eyes densely hairy. Second and usually third abdominal segments without distinct discals (fig. 21f). Parafacialia with a row of about 5 strong proclinate setae, continuous with the proclinate setae on parafrontalia (fig. 21f). Palpi orange (typical form) or fuscous (ab. nigripalpis Rondani). Black hind margins of the abdominal segments taking up about half the length of the intermediate segments (fig. 21f). 3: figs. 21f, 1. 6:5-8:5 mm. (Sbg. Cyrtophleba Rondani = Plagia auct. nec Meigen.)

Parasite of Hadena serena Schiff., Euclidimera mi Clk., and Ectypa glyphica L. (AGROTIDAE). Kent: Wye Downs, 4 and 6.vi.36, wooded downland ruricola Meigen.

Tribe Tachinini (= Phorocerini).

KEY TO GENERA.

(4) Occiput wholly without black setulae behind occipital row (figs. 21π, κ).
 Vibrissa lying above mouth-margin. prst ia present (fig. 21π ↑).

2 (3) m-m about twice as distant from r-m as from bend of m (fig. 21m), last section of fifth vein about half as long as penultimate, setulae on r_{4+5} not extending halfway to r-m. Ascending setulae of facial ridges decumbent, directed downward, extending not or hardly beyond middle. Eyes bare or hairy

Tachina (p. 70).

3 (2) m-m less distant from r-m than from bend, seldom about equidistant from both (fig. 21n), last section of fifth vein almost as long as penultimate; setulae on r_{4+δ} extending to about r-m. Ascending setae of facial ridges strong, erect, extending to upper third or fourth (fig. 21n); mouth margin distinctly projecting in lateral view. Eyes bare or hairy. Abdomen without discals. Black with whitish dust, apex of scutellum, palpi, basal antennal segments and interfrontalia pale ferruginous; thorax with four black vittae (fig. 21r), abdominal segments glossy black on apical half. β: from almost or fully one-third head-width. β: figs. 21n, n, p. 3.7-6 mm.

Parasite of larvae of Agrotis ypsilon Rott. (AGROTIDAE), Pachythelia opacella H.-S. (? as Stom. filipalpis) and terricolous Tenebrionidae (Blaps, Opatrum, etc.). Suffolk: Felixstowe; Norfolk: Winterton; Yarmouth Denes. m.vii-m.viii, coastal sandhills

Stomatomyia acuminata Rondani

4 (1) Occiput with black setulae on upper part behind occipital row (fig. 21L).

Vibrissa at mouth margin; ascending setae of facial ridges strong, erect, extending to above middle.

5 (6) Apical scutellars absent (fig. 22A). r₄₊₅ ciliate about halfway or fully to r-m (fig. 210). Occiput flattened. Proboscis unusually small (fig. 21L). Eyes almost bare. prst ia present (see fig. 21r↑). Abdomen with (type form) or without (var. fugax Rondani) discals. Third antennal segment 4-5 times length of second. Fuscous black, thorax with 4 vittae, abdomen (fig. 22A) with a narrow black median vitta, anterior half of segments pale golden dusted. ♂: frons (fig. 22c) more than a third head-width as in ♀, but without proclinate orbitals. ♂: figs. 21L, o, 22A, c. 3·4-6·5 mm. (= Bessa Robineau-Desvoidy?).

Parasite of numerous Heterocera: Hyponomeutidae (Ethmia decemguttella Hb., various Hyponomeuta), Tortricidae (Sparganothis pilleriana Schiff, Tortrix viridana L., Peronea cristana F., ferrugana Schiff.), Olethreutidae (abroad in Polychrosis, Laspeyresia, etc.), Phalonildae (Clysiana ambiguella Hb.), Phycitidae (abroad Salebria), Geometridae (Eupithecia assimilata Doubl., Bupalus piniarius L.), Lymantriidae (L. monachus

5 (5) Apical scutellars present (fig. 22B). r₄₊₅ with only a few setulae at base. Occiput swollen. Palpi and proboscis developed normally. Eyes densely

long-haired.

7 (8) Posterior half of each tergite shining black (fig. 22B). Scutellum without discals (but with strong apicals). prst ia present. 4 post dc; 3+3 strong acr. Palpi pale orange; apex of scutellum reddish translucent; thorax with 4 narrow undusted vittae; abdominal segments with more than basal half whitish dusted and a narrow black median vitta. ♂: frons more than a quarter head-width. ♀: median part of fifth and sixth ventrites swollen, bare and undusted, exposed and finely transversely rugose-punctate. ♂: figs. 22B, D, E. 8-9·5 mm.

Genus Tachina Meigen, 1803, 1838 (*Larvaevora* Meigen, 1800, *Exorista* Meigen, 1803, *Eutachina* Brauer & Bergenstamm, 1890).

In 1803 Meigen mentioned only species which have later been placed in Echinomyia and Servillia, in 1824 he listed numerous species in the genus, and in 1838 he divided the genus into smaller ones, the first of which was Echinomyia and the fifth Tachina, containing among many other species larvarum. As the modern "rules" were not then in existence authors generally followed the 1838 arrangement, but Brauer and Bergenstamm (1890) and some modern authors restituted the 1803 meaning. As the main catalogues of Diptera use Tachina for larvarum, a group of British Dipterists and Entomolgical Institutions decided in June, 1942 (see Proc. zool. Soc. Lond. 114: 390-1, 1944) to follow this procedure, since "the strict application of the Règles" would here require "the transference of names from one genus or species to another." In all British species the abdomen has a blackish more or less undusted median vitta.

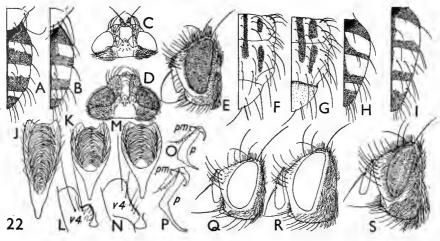


Fig. 22.

1 (6) Three post dc (fig. 22F). Frontal setae descending to below middle of parafacialia (fig. 22Q). Mid tibia with 3-4 ad setae. Abdomen black, anterior half or more of intermediate segments and basal third or less of fourth silver-white dusted; second tergite with 4 marginals (figs. 22H, I). δ: ventral (posterior) surface of superior forceps excavate on greater basal half, the excavation filled by a dense brush of golden hair (figs. 22J, K, M). (Sbg. Guérinia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.)

(3) Second tergite without discals (fig. 22n). 3: superior forceps in ventral (posterior) view more than twice as long as wide (fig. 22n). (5.6-) 7-9.5

mm. (= pratensis Robineau-Desvoidy?).

(2) Second tergite (normally) with discals (fig. 221). 3: superior forceps in ventral (posterior) view oval (with the apex drawn out), greatest width near middle, up to twice as long as wide (figs. 22k, m). 2 not distinguish-

able with certainty.

4 (5) δ: basal half of inner margin of fourth ventrite (fig. 22L) forming a broad lobe which projects both inward and ventrad (often visible without dissection); tapering apical process of penis hardly as long as anterior paramere (fig. 220). δ♀: Ascending setulae of facial ridges usually not reaching level of descending frontal setae (fig. 22Q); pollinosity more pale golden or silvery, dark hind margin occupying one-half to one-third length of third tergite, more shining. δ: figs. 22k, L, O, Q. 4·5–9 mm. (= minor Wainwright).

(4) ♂: inner margin of fourth ventrite sinuous, basal part not projecting ventrad (fig. 22n); tapering apical process of penis longer than anterior paramere (fig. 22p). ♂♀: ascending setulae on facial ridges usually reaching level of descending frontal setae (fig. 21j); pollinosity more cinereous or greyish, dark hind margin occupying one-third to one-fifth length of third tergite (fig. 221), more conspicuously brown dusted. ♂: figs. 21j, 22f, I, M, N, P. 7·3-11 mm. (=?simulans Meigen).

England, Wales, generally distributed. Co. Kerry. e.v-b.x, chalk wastes, very common rustica Meigen.

3 (1) 4 post dc (fig. 22g).

7 (8) Parafacialia less wide below lowest descending frontals than third antennal segment (fig. 22n). Antennae inserted almost at middle level of eye. Scutellum and abdomen wholly black in ground-colour. Section of c in Sc not quite half as long as that in R₁ (fig. 21m). Eyes virtually bare. (Sbg. Exoristella Mesn.). Third antennal segment only slightly longer than second. Second tergite with only a pair of marginals; whitish dust occupying almost the basal two-thirds of third tergite. 3: superior forceps fig. 23c. 3: Figs. 21m, 22n, 23c. 5-8 mm. (= delicatula Robineau-Desvoidy of Mesnil, not Robineau-Desvoidy?, "Walkeria" having discals on second tergite and "delicatula" golden parafacialia and whitish yellow calyptrae, in baranoffi the former pale grey, hardly yellowish, the latter greyish.)

8 (7) Parafacialia at least as wide below lowest descending frontals as third antennal segment (figs. 22s, 23g, H). Antennae inserted well above middle level of eye. Scutellum more or less broadly reddish translucent at apex. Section of c in Sc as a rule at least half as long as that in R₁.

9 (10) Eyes densely hairy. Ocellars at level of anterior ocellus (fig. 23A). Mid tibia with only 2 ad setae. (Sbg. Podotachina Brauer and Bergenstamm). Third antennal segment almost twice as long as second. Whitish pollinosity rather dense. 3: frons about 0·3 times head-width (fig. 23A); ventral (posterior) surface of superior forceps excavate on greater basal half, the excavation filled by a dense brush of golden hair (fig. 23D). 3: Figs. 22s, 23A, D. 9-14 mm.

- 10 (9) Eyes virtually bare, or only with short and rather sparse hairs.²³ Ocellars lying slightly behind level of anterior ocellus (fig. 23B). Mid tibia with 3 ad setae. ♂: Ventral surface of superior forceps not excavate, with moderately dense short decumbent dark hairs. (Sbg. *Tachina* s. str.).
- 11 (12) Parafrontalia golden yellow dusted, hairs very fine, much finer than those on anterior upper part of jowls (fig. 23a). Ascending setulae of facial ridges not extending beyond middle and not reaching level of the descending frontals. Pollinosity of thorax cinereous grey to golden grey. 3: superior forceps fig. 23r. 3: figs. 16p, c, 22c, 23r, r, c. 6-14 mm.

 Parasite of very numerous caterpillars (Papilio, Pieris, Nymphalis, Aglais,

Parasite of very numerous caterpillars (Papilio, Pieris, Nymphalis, Aglais, Argynnis, Melitaea, Polygonia, Callophrys, Macroglossa, Deilephila, Celerio, all British Lymantridae and most Lasiocampidae, Saturnia, Spilosoma lubricipeda L., Arctia caja L., numerous Agrotidae, Zygaena, Hyponomeuta, Loxostege, Abraxas; in addition abroad Notodontidae, Olethreutidae, Bombycidae, incl. Bombyx mori) and some sawfly larvae (Diprion pini L. and Acantholyda pinivora Ensl.). England, Wales, Scot-

²³ But in *T. fasciata segregata* Rondani, which does apparently not occur in Britain, as hairy as in *sorbillans*.

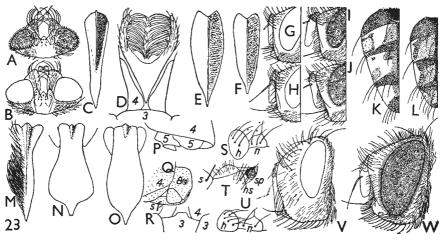


Fig. 23.

land (to Sutherland), generally distributed. S. Ireland. b.vi, b.vii-b.ix, woods and marshes, very common......larvarum L.

12 (11) Parafrontalia greyish or yellowish white dusted, hairs as long and strong as those on anterior upper part of jowls (fig. 23H). Ascending setulae of facial ridges passing middle and as a rule reaching level of descending frontals. Pollinosity of thorax whitish with hardly any yellowish tinge. 3: superior forceps (fig. 23F). 3: figs. 23F, H. 5-13 mm.

Parasite of Orgyia antiqua L., Lymantria dispar L. (Lymantridae), Malacosoma castrensis L., Eriogaster lanestris L. (!!), Lasiocampa quercus L., trifolii Schiff. (!!), Macrothylacia rubi L., Philudoria potatoria L. (LASIOCAMPIDAE), Zygaena trifolii Esp. and filipendulae L. Kent to Cornwall, Somerset, Lancs., Ches., Glam. Co. Cork. (bred m.iv), e.v-m.vi, m.vii-

Genus Phorocera Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

1 (2) 4 post dc (see fig. 22a). Setulae of parafrontalia not descending on parafacialia below lowest frontals (fig. 231). Abdomen without discals (fig. 23κ), median marginals of third segment at about fourth fifth, hind margin of their pores anterior to level of front part of the other marginal pores. δ: hypopygium small, its convex sclerotized part shorter on median line than the membrane surrounding anus; superior forceps fig. 23m. ♀: fifth ventrite not projecting, flat. δ: figs. 231, κ, м. 7-11·5 mm. (Sbg. Parasetigena B. B.). (= segregata Rondani of Brauer and Bergenstamm, etc., not Rondani, media Rondani, agilis Robineau-Desvoidy of Mesnil).

Important parasite of Lymantria monacha L. and dispar L., also recorded from Euproctis phaeorrhoea Don., Leucoma salicis L. (Lymantridae), Pieris brassicae L., Polyploca ridens F. (Thyatiridae) and the sawfly Diprion pini L. Kent: Ham Street; Hants.: New Forest (Lyndhurst; Rhinefield); Hereford.

e.v-b.vi, woods, rare......silvestris Robineau-Desvoidy.

2 (1) 3 post dc (see fig. 22F). Setulae of parafrontalia descending on parafacialia to below lowest frontal setae (fig. 23J). Abdomen with discals (fig. 23L); median marginals of third segment virtually level with the other marginals. ♂: hypopygium large and bulbous, the convex sclerotized part (fig. 23Q) much longer on median line than the membrane surrounding anus; superior forceps (figs. 23N, o) broad and flattened with short decumbent hairs; ventral surface of body and femora with long fine erect somewhat wavy hairs. ♀: fifth ventrite strongly projecting (fig. 23F), shining dark brown, triangularly excised posteriorly, and rounded or laterally compressed anteriorly. (Sbg. Phorocera s. str.).

3 (4) Basal dorsal excavation of first tergite not much exceeding middle (fig. 231). Scutellum black, at most somewhat reddish at apex. 3: third ventrite evenly convex at hind margin; dorsal surface of superior forceps (fig. 23N) with sparse subequal hairs. 3: figs. 23J, L, N, Q. 4-11 mm. (= caesifrons Macquart, = vernalis Robineau-Desvoidy.)

Recorded from Lymantria monacha L. (LYMANTRIIDAE), Orthosia cruda Schiff. (AGROTIDAE), Hybernia defoliaria Clk., leucophaearia Schiff., Operophtera sp. (GEOMETRIDAE) and a foreign ARCTIID. Kent to Dorset. to Hereford. to Notts. to Norfolk. b.iv-e.vi, woods, very common obscura Fallén.²⁴

4 (3) Excavation of first tergite (normally) reaching hind margin (see fig. 23x). Scutellum always more or less reddish on apical half. ♂: third ventrite with a short and broad tongue-like median projection of hind margin, therefore concave on each side (fig. 23x); dorsal surface of superior forceps (fig. 23o) with dense long hairs, which decrease evenly in length from base to apex. ♂: figs. 23o, P, R. 8-13 mm. (= agilis Robineau-Desvoidy,

At the suggestion of Mr. J. E. Collin and through the courtesy of Prof. C. H. Lindroth I have been able to study the typical pair in Mus. Lund (labelled "T. obscura $\Im \Upsilon$ Mus. Fallén"), which is the species studied by Ringdahl under the same name in mus. Stockholm. The male of this pair is herewith selected as the type of obscura.

1830, non Mesnil, according to Robineau-Desvoidy, 1863, p. 509, a synonym of assimilis Fallén and not of "Duponchelia" silvestris Robineau-Desvoidy,

1863, p. 531; = gramma Meigen).

Parasite of Aporia (Pieridae), a foreign Nymphalid, Trichiura crataegi L., Dasychira pudibunda L., Lymantria monacha L. (Lymantridae), Saturnia (Saturniale), Cossus (Cossidae), a foreign Lasiocampid, Arctiid, and Thaumetopoeid, Amathes c-nigrum L., Mamestra brassicae L., Cucullia verbasci L. (Agrotidae) and the sawfies Cimbex femorata var. sylvarum F. and Diprion pini L. Kent to Devon. to Warwks. to Norfolk. m.iv-e.vi, woods, common......assimilis Fallén.

Subfamily GONIINAE.

KEY TO TRIBES.

chaeta). Arista not elbowed (fig. 23w).

3 (4) Beret (the embossed upper strip of the hypopleura between the posterior stpl and the posterior thoracic spiracle) hairy in its entire length (fig. 23r). Shoulders normally with 5 (3 outer and 2 inner) setae (fig. 23v). Reclinate orbital setae weakly developed or missing in male (fig. 23w). 2 or 3 stpl. Eyes densely hairy. Parafacialia often hairy (fig. 23w)

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4 (3) Beret bare at least on greater posterior half. Shoulders with less than 5 setae.

5 (6) Occiput without black setulae behind occipital row (fig. 24A). All British species with 4 post dc and, if the eyes are distinctly hairy, only 1 + 1 stpl (fig. 24K). Either jowls narrower than parafacialia at level of antennal

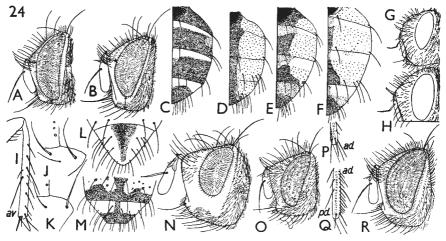


Fig. 24.

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base (fig. 24A \$ \$) or vertex in both sexes conspicuously more than a third head-width. Hind tibiae with numerous ad bristles which form more or

(5) Occiput with a row of black setulae behind occipital row (fig. 24B), these are seldom missing or almost missing, in these cases either only 3 post dc or 3 or 4 stpl present. Jowls at least as wide as parafacialia at level of antennal base (fig. 24B \$ \$) and not or not much narrower than width of mouth. ERYCHNI (p. 81).

Tribe Goniini (Salmaciini).

Genus Gonia Meigen, 1803 (Salmacia Meigen, 1800).

 β and Q with proclinate orbital setae.

- (4) Abdomen wholly black in ground-colour, at most a small dull reddish suffusion at sides of intermediate segments (fig. 24c). Undusted vittae of thorax rather conspicuous in posterior view.
- 2 Abdomen with only very slight and thin dust, without marked basal bands of white pollinosity. Parafacialia wider at narrowest part than smaller diameter of eye, the setulose hairs much weaker than the setae along inner

(2) Abdomen with narrow conspicuous silver-white or golden-white basal bands (fig. 24c). Parafacialia at narrowest part as wide as, or slightly narrower than, eye (fig. 24g), setulae almost or fully as strong as the setae along inner margin. More densely dusted with more conspicuous vittae, dust appearing bronze in dorsal view. J: figs. 24c, g. 8-12 mm. (= fasciata Meigen nec Wiedemann).

Parasite of Panolis flammea Schiff., Charaeas graminis L., Leucania comma L. (AGROTIDAE). Kent to Dorset. to Hereford. to Lincs. m.iii-

- e.v., on long grass on chalk.....sicula Robineau-Desvoidy. Abdomen (figs. 24D-F) largely rufous, second segment with not more than about median third black, though another black area may extend from hind margin along sides.
- Parafacialia dull orange, not markedly dusted. Dusted basal bands of abdomen absent or linear (fig. 24b). Hair of occiput rufous, at least below. Smallest width of parafacialia even in female inferior to that of eye (fig. 24H). Dust of thorax bronze on disc, vittae in male indistinct, in female very narrow; pale coloration of abdomen rufous. 3: figs. 24D, H. 8.5-11 mm.

- conspicuous, occupying basal quarter or more of posterior segments (figs. 24E, F). Hair of occiput yellowish white. Parafacialia at narrowest part
- almost or fully as wide as eye. Vittae of thorax rather conspicuous. Tibiae piceous black to black. Median vitta of abdomen broad, occupying (8) more than a quarter of width of second segment and broadly passing the median marginals exteriorly on anterior segments (fig. 24E). Dust of thorax somewhat brownish bronze on disc; pale coloration of abdomen more reddish orange. d: fig. 24E. 8.5-11.5 mm.

Parasite of Agrotis segetum Schiff., vestigialis Hufn., exclamationis L., Actebia praecox L., Ceramica pisi L. (AGROTIDAE) and Pachythelia villo-

Mid and hind tibiae light brown. Median vitta of abdomen narrow, occupying up to about a sixth of the width of the second segment and not or slightly passing median marginals exteriorly on anterior segments (fig. 24f). Dust of thorax greyish white; pale coloration of abdomen more brownish yellow. 3: fig. 24r. 11-13 mm.

Parasite of Agrotis exclamationis L., segetum Schiff., ypsilon Rott., Actebia praecox L., Heliothis armigera Hb., Ceramica pisi L., Peridroma saucia Hb. (and a foreign Laphygma) (AGROTIDAE). Kent: Deal; Hants.: Farley Downs, etc.; Dorset.: Durlston Head; Swanage Cliffs. m.viim.ix, downland......capitata Degeer.

Tribe WINTHEMIINI.

KEY TO GENERA.

(6) Mid tibia with several strong ad setae (fig. 241). 3 stpl (fig. 241). Fourth tergite not very broad, subconical, up to about twice as wide at base as long (fig. 24L), tip of dorsal surface slightly compressed and therefore in posterior view angulate. (Subtribe Smidtina).

Arista shorter than third antennal segment, incressate up to tip (fig. 24N). Width of parafacialia below more than half smallest width of eye; upper half or less setulose. prst ia absent. Palpi and apical part of scutellum dull orange red. Face receding below, shorter than frons; head almost as long as high. Hind tibia with 3 strong d preapicals (fig. 24P). Fuscous black, thorax with 4 slight undusted vittae; abdomen with paired spots, not or hardly reddish at sides, with discals on at least third and fourth segments. Q: figs. 241, J, L, N, P. 6-9 mm.

Hosts unknown. Notts.: Fiskerton, 14.vi.19; Hereford.: Ross-on-Wye,

only. Width of parafacialia less than a third or fourth smallest width of eye. prst ia present. Hind tibia (fig. 240) with only 2 d (ad and pd, the d being absent or small) preapicals. Parafacialia densely setulose on their entire length (fig. 240).

(5) Occiput with 2 irregular rows of black setulae behind occipital row (fig. 240). 2 prst acr; 3 post dc. Second to fourth abdominal segments with long discals. Hind tibia with widely spaced ad setae of uneven length. Fuscous black with the scutellum largely reddish; the 5 thoracic vittae not very conspicuous; abdomen wholly dark with whitish grey shifting spots; most of the hair on middle of abdomen fully as long as a tergite. 3: fig. 240. 5.7-9 mm. (Megalochaeta Brauer and Bergenstamm).

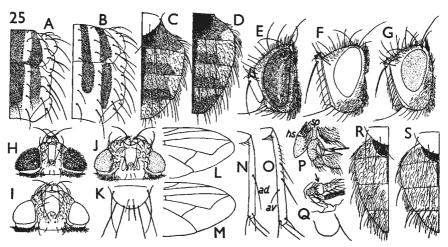


Fig. 25.

5 (4) Occiput with at most odd black setulae behind occipital row. 3 prst acr; 4 post dc. Intermediate abdominal segments without discals. Hind tibia with a dense fringe of short strong ad setae (fig. 24q). Dark vittae more clearly defined, more complete, the three middle ones not coalescing except on anterior declivity of thorax; abdomen rusty red at sides, shifting spots more disintegrated; hair on middle of abdomen considerably shorter than a tergite. 3: fig. 24q. 9-11 mm. (Chaetolyga auct., nec Rondani.)

(1) Mid tibia with only 1 strong ad seta, sometimes in addition with 1-2 much weaker ones. 1 + 1 stpl (normally, fig. 24k). Fourth tergite trapezoidal, about 2.5-3 times as wide at base as long (fig. 24m), tip truncate and not laterally compressed, therefore in posterior view evenly slightly convex or straight. Arista much longer than third antennal segment, incrassate at base only (fig. 24k). Width of parafacialia less than a third smallest width of eye (fig. 24k). prst ia present; 3 + 3 acr; 4 post dc.

(8) Parafacialia bare or with only a few isolated black setulae (fig. 24π). Abdomen and scutellum dark, sides of former usually reddish, only apex of palpi somewhat brownish (♂), or palpi orange (most ♀♀). Thorax between the dc with a very broad black median vitta (♂) or three narrow poorly separated vittae (♀), another vitta outwards of the dc (fig. 25Δ); second abdominal segment with a somewhat heart-shaped black median spot and like the others with brown-dusted hind margin, which is produced forward on either side of median spot (fig. 24M); intermediate segments with discals. ♂: figs. 24M, R, 25A. 4·5-8 mm. In floralis the abdominal spots tend to coalesce, whilst in maculosa Meigen (apparently not British, and according to Mons. Mesnil a good species) they are separated, the frons and especially the interfrontalia are wider, the second antennal segment is longer, etc., and the puparium without the tiny spiracular horns near hind margin of fourth segment.

8 (7) Parafacialia densely setulose on their entire length (fig. 23w). Abdomen (figs. 25c, d) conspicuously red at sides and often apex. Scutellum reddish yellow except for the black basal fifth. Thorax with four vittae (fig. 25b), the paramedian ones well separated and a median one at most indicated; abdomen (figs. 25c, d) with a black median vitta and hind margins, the latter sometimes slightly dilated on either side. Second abdominal segment as a rule without discals, sometimes with irregular small ones

Winthemia (p. 77).

Genus Winthemia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (2) Apex of abdomen broadly reddish (fig. 25c); hair decumbent, even and short, largely much less than half length of a tergite; intermediate segments without discals. Occiput without black setulae behind occipital row. 3:

figs. 23w, 25B, c. 6.5-10 mm.

2 (1) Apex of abdomen fuscous-black (fig. 25D); hair erect, uneven and long, largely half length of a tergite; at least third tergite with some conspicuous irregular median discals. Occiput with a somewhat irregular row of black

setulae behind occipital row. 5: fig. 25p. 7-9 mm.

Hants. to Gloucs. to Worcs. to \tilde{C} ambs. b.v.-e.vi, woods, rare. (The specimens mentioned by Parmenter, 1953, p. 30, are quadripustulata F., as I could ascertain thanks to the courtesy of Mr. S. Wakely.)

variegata Meigen.

Tribe CARCELIINI

KEY TO GENERA

2 (1) Jowls wider than parafacialia at level of antennal base and wider than mouth (figs. 25f, g); vibrissae lying much below level of lower eye margin; facial ridges with strong setae ascending to well above middle; vertex in both sexes conspicuously more than a third head-width (figs. 251, J), interfrontalia wider behind than in front. Eyes with sparse short hairs (fig. 25J) or bare (fig. 251). 2 + 1 stpl (see fig. 24J). First tergite with strong marginals. Palpi pale yellow. 3: ventral surface of third tergite without a spot of dense decumbent black hairs. (Subtribe BAUMHAUERIINA).

3 (4) Occiput flattened and somewhat concave (fig. 25F). Apical scutellars decussate (see fig. 25c). Hair (but not setae!) of jowls and mesopleura (and lateral part of thorax in general) pale yellow. Setae on parafrontalia arranged in only two rows, the inclinate frontals and the proclinate and reclinate orbitals, sometimes 1-2 odd much smaller inclinate setae between the rows (fig. 251). Bend of m closer to margin than to m-m (fig. 251). Head and thorax densely golden dusted, the latter with 4 linear vittae; abdomen largely testaceous with a narrow fuscous median vitta. J: parafrontalia without proclinate orbital setae (fig. 251). J: figs. 25F, I, L. 9-11 mm.

Bred from Smerinthus ocellatus L. (!!), Sphinx ligustri L. (Sphingidae) and Malacosoma castrensis L. (Lasiocampidae). Very rare: Wareham, Dorset., 18 and 25.vii.43; Wick, Hants., 28.viii.44; Mytchett, Surr. (bred 15.ii.44); Box Hill, Surr. (27.vii.40, P. Arnaud!); Kingston, Surrey Frontina lacta Meigen.

4 (3) Occiput convex (fig. 25c). Apical scutellars somewhat diverging, erect and more dorsal in position (fig. 25k). Hair of jowls and mesopleura (and thorax in general) black. Setae on parafrontalia forming three rows, the posterior ones in the middle row being bent backward and outward, the bristling therefore appearing untidy and hirsute (figs. 25c, J). Bend of m closer to m-m than to margin (fig. 25m). Fuscous with largely reddish scutellum; dust whitish grey, thorax with vittae, prst part of the outer ones markedly

Parasite of Lymantriidae (L. monacha L., dispar L., Euproctis phaeorrhoea Don.), Lasiocampidae (Malacosoma neustria L.), Arctiidae (A. caja L., villica L., etc.) and Agrofidae (Cucullia verbasci L.); also recorded from Phytodecta rufipes Deg. and pallidus L. (Chrysomeliae). Sussex to Dorset. to Worcs. to Norfolk. S.W. Ireland. b.v-b.vi, m.vii-e.ix, b.xi. Histochaeta marmorata F.

Genus Carcelia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

- (4) Mid tibia without an av seta beyond middle, and with only 1 ad (fig. 25n). Hind coxa without setulae on inner part of apex of posterior surface. Basicosta (fig. 25c↑) brown or fuscous. Face in lateral view as long as frons (fig. 25e). Dust greyish yellow, abdomen without marked shifting spots (figs. 25n, s), median vitta present on only second segment (posterior view). Tibiae testaceous, darkened at both ends.
- 2 (3) Fore tibia with 2 p setae. Abdomen from apex of scutellum to tip somewhat longer than wide (fig. 25π); hair on dorso-lateral part of third segment more (3) or slightly less (\$\Phi\$) than half as long as segment, at least third segment with irregular discals, marginals of second segment longer than median length of third. Subapical setae of scutellum at least twice its length. δ: frons one-quarter to three-tenths head-width. δ: figs. 25π, η. Ω. \$\Phi\$: fig. 25π. 6·5-8·5 mm. (= obesa Boheman nec Zetterstedt, teste Ringdahl).

3 (2) Fore tibia with only 1 p seta. Abdomen from apex of scutellum to tip somewhat shorter than wide (fig. 25s); hair on dorso-lateral part of third segment somewhat (σ) or much (Ω) less than half as long as segment, third segment normally without discals, marginals of second segment in male shorter, in female not longer, than median length of third segment. Subapical scutellars less than twice as long as scutellum. σ: from about one-fifth headwidth. σ: fig. 25s. 8-10 mm.

4 (1) Mid tibia with an av seta beyond middle (fig. 250). Hind coxa with some black setulae on inner part of apex of posterior surface (fig. 25₽↑). Abdomen with a more or less distinct complete median vitta (figs. 26B-E).

5 (6) Apical scutellars fine (fig. 268) and much shorter than lateral seta (between basal and subapical). Face longer in profile than frons (fig. 26A). Mid tibia with only one ad seta (sometimes a small one just basad of it). Basicosta (fig. 25Q↑) fuscous. Intermediate abdominal segments with discals (fig. 26B). Fuscous black with orange palpi, scutellum and tibiae, lateral surface of second abdominal segment reddish at base; dust thin and grey, denser and white at sides. ♀: palpi (fig. 26A) and apical segments of tarsi broadened, fifth tarsal segment also lengthened. ♂: fig. 26B. ♀: fig. 26A. 5·5-8 mm. (Sbg. Euryclaea Robineau-Desvoidy; = phalaenaria auct., nec Rondani.)

Parasite of Arctia caja L. Kent to Cornwall to Gloucs. to Notts. to Norfolk. e.iv-e.vi, woodlands, rare......................tibialis Robineau-Desvoidy.

- 6 (5) Apical scutellars fully as long as lateral seta (figs. 26c-E). Face distinctly shorter in profile than frons (fig. 24A). If the mid tibia has only one distinct ad, basicosta (fig. 25Q↑) pale and abdomen without discals. Palpi of female not wider than those of male, but in gnava dilated in both sexes. Parafrontalia densely whitish dusted, especially on anterior two-thirds. (Carcelia s. str.)
- (8) Mid tibia with only 1 ad seta. Basicosta pale testaceous. Abdomen without discals (fig. 26c), very evenly haired. Fuscous, palpi orange, tibiae and scutellum pale testaceous, this coloration extending forward along postalar callosity and around the prsc. ♂: frons less than a quarter head-width (fig. 26r); intermediate abdominal segments testaceous on outer half; inferior forceps as long as superior, evenly narrowed towards apex, distinctly though slightly curved away from body. ♀: fore tarsi not dilated. ♂: figs. 26c, F. 7-11, usually 7-9 mm.

8 (7) Mid tibia with 2-3 ad setae. Basicosta fuscous. Pale coloration of scutellum not extended to prsc. ♂: only anterior two tergites pale at sides (figs. 26D, E).

9 (10) Arista cylindrical in basal half, whence it tapers suddenly (fig. 26H). Interfrontalia in anterior half virtually as wide or wider than a parafrontale (fig. 26G). Palpi markedly clubbed. Descending frontal setae not exceeding apical level of second antennal segment. Abdomen evenly haired on disc, without diseals, rather densely whitish dusted with a narrow dark median vitta and hind margins (fig. 26D). 3: frons a quarter head-width (fig. 26G); inferior forceps slender, slightly shorter than superior. 2: fore tarsi not at all dilated. 3: figs. 26D, G, H. 8-10 mm. (= excavata Zetterstedt; Meigen's male specimen labelled "gnava" in the Paris Museum—see Mesnil, 1944, p. 47—is herewith selected as the type of gnava.)

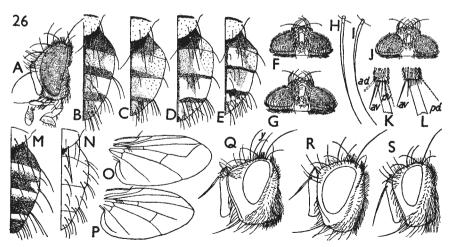


Fig. 26.

10 (9) Arista gradually tapering from about basal third (fig. 261). Interfrontalia narrower than a parafrontale (fig. 261). Palpi only very slightly dilated. Descending frontal setae reaching or exceeding level of base of arista. Abdomen with much coarser hair near middle, among which some irregular median discals are distinct (fig. 26E), disc with conspicuous shifting dark reflections. δ : from almost a quarter head-width (fig. 26 $_{\rm J}$); inferior forceps stout, at least a quarter shorter than superior forceps. φ : fore tarsi very slightly and evenly broader than those of male. 3: figs. 24A, 26E, I, J. 6.5-9 mm. (= comata Rondani = gnava Meigen pars).

Parasite of many Arctiidae and Lymantriidae, some Lasiocampidae (Malacosoma neustria L., castrensis L., etc., Macrothylacia rubi L., Philudoria potatoria L.), Agrotidae (Apamea secalis L., Agrochola lychnidis Schiff., etc.), Phalera bucephala L. (Notodontidae), the sawfies Cimbex femorata L. and Acantholyda pinivora Ensl., and abroad a Tortricid. Kent to Cornwall to Lancs. to Suffolk. e.iv-b.ix, woods and wastes, common

lucorum Meigen.

Tribe ERYCHNI.

KEY TO SUBTRIBES.

(2) Hind tibia with an apical pv seta and three strong d preapicals (ad, d and pd); if the pv apical seta is indistinct (fig. 26 κ), r_{4+5} ending closer to r_{2+3} than to wing tip (fig. 260). Mid tibia with at least two strong ad setae. Sector of m between m-m and bend (figs. 260, P) almost or fully as long as apical cross-vein or, if the latter missing, as distance between tips of m and r_{4+5} . Setae on facial ridges ascending almost or fully to middle (figs. 260, R. Eyes bare. Costal spine strong. Vertex (39) much more than a third head-width..................Вкаснуснаетіма (р. 81).

Hind tibia without a pv apical seta (fig. 26L), seldom with three d preapicals, (1) in this case r_{4+5} ending much closer to wing tip than to r_{2+3} . Other charac-

Subtribe Brachychaetina.

KEY TO GENERA AND SPECIES.

1 (2) Tip of r_{4+5} closer to that of r_{2+3} than to that of wing (fig. 260); apical crossvein present. Arista incrassate in basal three-fourths, even apical part not very thin (fig. 26q). Fuscous-black with rather thin dust on thorax and conspicuous yellowish-grey dusted basal bands on abdomen. Apical scutellars decussate and directed more upward and forward than backward (fig. 26m), in lateral view describing a dorsally concave curve. Parafrontalia with a strong praevertical (fig. 26q, y; bent outward and backward). 3: figs. 26k, m, o, q. 4-6.5 mm.

Parasite of Notodonta dromedarius L. (NOTODONTIDAE). Hants. to Devon. to Merioneth. to Suffolk; Lincs. Inverness. m.iii-b.v, woods, rare

Brachychaeta strigata Meigen. (1) Tip of r_{4+5} closer to that of wing than to that of r_{2+3} ; apical cross-vein absent (common form: ab. antiqua Meigen) to complete (type form). Arista incrassate on about basal half, apical part fine and thin (fig. 26R). Fuscousblack with dense and uniform cinereous dust, inner vitta linear, outer one consisting of two small spots; abdomen (fig. 26n) without dark spots. Legs pale testaceous. Apical scutellars diverging and directed backward, slightly bent downward. Without a praevertical seta. 3: figs. 26N, P, R.

Parasite of Forficula auricularia L., etc. (Dermaptera), Lymantria dispar L. (Lymantridae) and Orthosia miniosa F. (Agrotidae). Kent to Dorset, to Somerset to Ches. to Notts. Moray. Orkneys. e.iv, e.v-e.x, woods, gardens, rather common......Rhacodineura pallipes Fallén.

Subtribe ERYCIINA.

KEY TO GENERA.

1 (18) Eyes virtually bare. Ocellars strong (fig. 26s). Two (or three) reclinate upper frontals (sometimes not so distinct in Hebia, which has pale legs).²⁵

2 (13) Mid tibia with only one strong ad seta (see fig. 25n), sometimes with a very small one basad to it. Section of m between m—m and bend as a rule almost or fully as long as apical cross-vein, bend more broadly obtuse; m ending very close to wing tip (see fig. 29a).

3 (8) Setulae on facial ridges ascending at least almost to middle (figs. 26s, 28i, j); if not reaching it, only 3 post dc present and abdomen wholly undusted glossy black. Discals of intermediate abdominal segments well developed

(fig. 28R). S: from almost or fully a third head-width.

4 (5) Legs wholly pale testaceous with infuscate tarsi; palpi whitish yellow. Prosternum bare (see fig. 2a). Parafacialia setulose on about upper third (fig. 26s); jowls more than half height of eye. Arista incrassate in more than basal half. Hind tibia with 3 d preapicals, the pd one smaller. 4 post dc. Densely grey dusted, thorax with four, sometimes indistinct, vittae; abdomen evenly dusted, brown-dusted hind margins of one-third to one-fifth length of segments, interrupted by pale dust between the marginals. Third antennal segment black in male, bright yellow in female. β: fig. 26s. 4·7-6·7 mm.

Bred from Orthosia miniosa Schiff. (AGROTIDAE), Colotois pennaria L. and abroad a Cidaria (GEOMETRIDAE). Hants. to Devon. to Salop to Suffolk.

7 (6) R_5 stalked (fig. 170). Palpi light brown, at least on basal half. Apical scutellars replaced by a pair of preapical setae, which are stubby, directed upward and placed above apex (fig. 18c). Abdomen without distinct whitish dust; dorsal excavation reaching hind margin of first tergite, the latter without (or with very weak) marginals. δ : proclinate orbital setae absent. δ : figs. 170, 18a, c, E. 2·8-4·5 mm.

Parasite of Sparganothis pilleriana Schiff. (TORTRICIDAE), doubtfully recorded from Lymantria monacha L. Suffolk: Tuddenham; Barton Mills; Aldeburgh. Kent: Dungeness. Oxon. m.v-e.v, b.viii-e.ix, marshes, locally in numbers. Erynnia nitida Robineau-Desvoidv.

3 (3) Setulae on facial ridges not ascending beyond lower third or so (fig. 27A). 4 post dc. Abdominal segments distinctly pale dusted at bases (figs. 27H, I).

Parafacialia bare below descending frontal setae (fig. 27A).

9 (10) Basal antennal segments (and in female inner surface of third) and palpi pale orange. Abdomen (fig. 27H) glossy with narrow complete grey-dusted basal bands; second tergite without discals, first without distinct marginals, third with discals and a marginal row. Fuscous black, scutellum broadly reddish; thorax thinly dusted with four incomplete vittae. 3: parafrontalia with 2 proclinate orbitals; from more than a third head-width (see fig. 27h). 2: figs. 27h, B, H. 4·5-6 mm. (Erythrocera auct. nec Robineau-Desvoidy, 1849; Eurysthaea Robineau-Desvoidy, 1863, nec Eurysthea Rondani, 1861.)

Parasite of most Hyponomeuta, Scythropia crataegella L.? (HYPONO-MEUTIDAE), Tortrix viridana L., Sparganothis pilleriana Schiff. (TORTRI-CIDAE), Hypena rostralis L. (AGROTIDAE) and a foreign Abraxas (GEOMET-METRIDAE). Kent: Bezley, 9.vi.03

Discochaeta evonymellae Ratzeburg.

²⁵ Without a reclinate seta; height of jowls several times as long as antennae, which are very small: see Trixa (DEXIINAE), which has no pv apical seta on the hind tibia and sometimes a setula on the prosternum, and which might therefore be traced to the present group.

- 10 (9) Antennae wholly fuscous-black. Abdomen with a narrow black median vitta which interrupts the pale-dusted basal bands (fig. 271); first tergite with, sometimes weak, marginals. 3: parafrontalia without proclinate orbitals.
- 11 (12) 6-9 mm. Palpi pale orange. Abdomen reddish at sides; intermediate tergites with well-developed discals. Hind tibia with a regular comb-like row of ad setae, one seta stronger. Prosternum bare (see fig. 2a). 3: from a quarter head-width.

 Parasite of Cossus cossus L. Hants.: New Forest, 1.vii.97
- **Xylotachina ligniperdae Brauer and Bergenstamm.

 12 (11) 3.5–6.5 mm. Palpi fuscous black, sometimes the extreme tip orange. Abdomen (fig. 271) wholly fuscous black, posterior three segments grey dusted on basal half, with brown dusted hind margins, which are extended forward in posterior view on either side; intermediate segments with irregular, often indistinct discals. Hind tibia with numerous but rather widely spaced ad setae and setulae of irregular size. Prosternum setulose. 3: frons almost a third to two-fifths head-width (fig. 27c). 3: figs. 27c, I.

- 13 (2) Mid tibia with at least two strong ad setae, the second normally well over half as long as the strongest (fig. 27d). Section of m between m-m and bend distinctly shorter than apical cross-vein (fig. 27d); m ending farther from wing-tip (by more than length of r-m). Hind tibia with only two strong d preapicals. First tergite with strong marginals. Basicosta (see fig. $250 \uparrow$) fuscous (except in $Erycia\ cinerea$). Costal spine small or indistinct.
- 14 (17) Base of r_{4+5} with 2 or more setulae (see fig. 29B). Palpi reddish yellow at least at apex.²⁷ Second tergite without or (*E. ferruginea*) with irregular discals, in the latter case tibiae testaceous. Apical scutellars directed backward, convex or virtually straight in lateral view (fig. 27F).
- 15 (16) Arista tapering from basal third or sixth (fig. 28c). Scutellum reddish at least along apical and most of lateral margins. Palpi wholly reddish yellow.

- 18 (1) Eyes densely hairy (figs. 28A, B, 29P-R), seldom (*Phorcida*) only thinly but quite conspicuously hairy, in this case ocellars missing (fig. 27L).

²⁶ First tergite with weak or indistinct marginals. Ocellars distinctly anterior to level of front margin of anterior ocellus. Parafacialia bare below descending frontals. Face somewhat shorter in profile than frons. Hind tibia with a dense row of equal ad setulae. S: ventral surface of third tergite with a large (paired) spot of dense closely adpressed black hairs ("Sturmia spot"). Sturmia (Zygobothria) atropivora Robineau-Desvoidy. Only British locality: Channel Is.

Robineau-Desvoidy. Only British locality: Channel Is.

27 Palpi fuscous. Apical scutellars curved upward, describing a dorsally concave curve in lateral view. Ocellars long but rather fine. Setae on facial ridges strong, ascending almost or fully to level of descending frontals. Arista tapering from basal third or fourth: Prosopaea nigricans Eggers. Only British locality: Channel Is.

19 (30) Two (or three) reclinate upper frontals (figs. 27L-N). Setulae on facial ridges not exceeding middle, except in some Zenillia; in these cases the subapical scutellars less widely separated from each other than from sub-basal scutellars.

20 (21) Ocellars absent (fig. 27L). Second and third tergites without discals (fig. 27Q). Base of r₄₊₅ with only one setula (see fig. 27E). Inner margin of lower calyptra somewhat sinuous, slightly concave at the basal marginal setae of scutellum (fig. 27Q). Palpi brownish orange with paler tip; base of third antennal segment translucent orange; scutellum largely pale ferruginous; rather densely pale grey dusted, abdomen with linear brown median vitta and narrow glossy fuscous-black hind margins. ♂: ventral surface of third tergite and basal half of fourth glossy with fine decumbent hairs. ♀: figs. 27L, P, Q. 8-10 mm. (Drino volucris Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830, of Mesnil, nec Robineau-Desvoidy?; since the latter describes m with an appendage; Mesnil places lota in Sturmiini, using the formation of the calyptra as their main character (see Pales, p. 85.))

Parasite of various Agrotidae (Acronicta alni L., tridens Schiff., psi L., Amathes ashworthi Doubl., Orthosia stabilis Schiff.), Sphingidae (Hyloicus pinastri L., Deilephila elpenor L.), and of Malacosoma neustria L. (Lastocampidae) and Pieris brassicae L. (Pieridae). Very rare: New Forest, Hants.; Brockenhurst, Hants.; Soakham Down, Kent; Weybridge, Surrey; Coombe Dingle, Gloucs.; Loxley Wood, Walton Moor, and Edington, Somerset; Hereford.; Dumbarton. to Inverness. Co. Mayo. b.vi-m.vii, b.viii

Phorcida lota Meigen.

21 (20) Ocellars well-developed (figs. 27M, N, etc.). Second and third tergites (fig. 27R) with distinct though sometimes irregular discals (except in Zenillia tritaeniata and confinis and Hemimacquartia). Base of r_{4+5} with 2 or more setulae (except in Z. tritaeniata). \mathcal{S} : without a spot of dense decumbent hair on third tergite.

22 (23) Parafacialia with a row of setulose black hairs extending over their whole length and irregularly doubled above (fig. 27m). Subapical scutellars more widely separated from each other than from basal scutellars (fig. 27n). Palpi, antennae, legs, basicosta fuscous black. Dorsal surface glossy fuscous black with some dust; thorax with four faint vittae, abdomen rather thickly dusted at base of second to fourth segments, with an undusted median vitta. From three-tenths (3) to fully one-third (2) head-width. 3: figs. 27m, r. 7·5-9 mm.

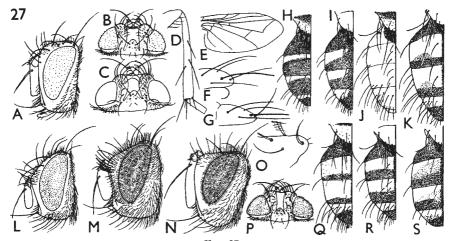


Fig. 27.

- 23 (22) Parafacialia bare or with only some setulose hairs just below the descending frontal setae (fig. 27N).
- 24 (27) Jowls nearly half as high as eye (figs. 2D, 27N). Palpi and basicosta rufous. Subapical scutellars less widely separated from each other than from basal scutellars. Abdomen with marginals on first segment. Calyptrae and base of wings markedly ochraceous.
- 25 (26) Legs, interfrontalia and scutellum (except sometimes apex) fuscous in ground-colour, tibiae light brown. Mid tibia with only one strong ad seta. 3 post dc. Rather densely whitish to cinereous grey dusted, somewhat variable, thorax with four conspicuous vittae, in male further with a slight brown-dusted median vitta, which extends forward from the prsc. Basal two-thirds to four-fifths of abdominal segments pale dusted, hind margins fuscous with brown dust. β2: normally with a single proclinate orbital (often bent more outward than forward); frons more than a third head-width. β: fig. 27N. 4-6mm. (Oyzenis Robineau-Desvoidy?).

Parasite of Operophthera brumata L., Triphosa dubitata L., Eupithecia pimpinellata Hb. (Geometridae). England, Scotland (to Sutherland), generally distributed. m.iv-m.vi, woods, common. Monochaeta albicans Fallén.

26 (25) Legs, interfrontalia and scutellum rufous. Mid tibia with two or more strong ad setae. 4 post dc. Densely golden grey dusted, especially abdomen of male strikingly golden grey, abdomen (♂♀) without dark hind margins or dark spots (except sometimes slight shifting ones). Wings conspicuously yellowish at base. ♀: fig. 2D. 5·5-10 mm.

- 27 (24) Jowls up to about a third height of eye (fig. 24B); parafacialia at narrowest part conspicuously narrower than third antennal segment. Legs, basicosta, and interfrontalia fuscous.
- 28 (29) Apical scutellars absent or fine (fig. 27s), much smaller than the lateral, and much less than half as long as the subapical, scutellars. Antennae inserted not much below level of upper eye margins; third segment long and broad, its base strongly projecting in profile beyond outline of second. Setulae on facial ridges fine and small, not approaching middle. 4 post dc, 3 stpl. Abdomen without discals (in the specimen in coll. Wainwright with very small irregular ones), first segment without marginals (fig. 27s). Fuscous black with orange palpi, thinly whitish dusted, thoracic vittae fused into a broadly transverse spot behind suture. β: without proclinate orbitals; from as in γ almost a third head-width. γ: fig. 27s. 6-9 mm.

Hosts unknown. Inverness.: Aviemore, 26. v.34; nr. Grantown on Spey, 19. vi.43..... Hemimacquartia paradoxa Brauer and Bergenstamm.

- 29 (30) Apical scutellars at least subequal to the lateral (fig. 28E), and (except in pullata) conspicuously more than half as long as the subapical, scutellars. Antennae inserted considerably below level of upper eye margins (fig. 24B). Setae on facial ridges sometimes ascending beyond middle. 4 post dc; 3 prst acr; 3-4 stpl. Occllars present (fig. 29F-R).. Zenillia. (p. 88).
- 30 (19) Only 1 well-developed reclinate upper frontal seta²⁸, or if rarely 2, the setae on facial ridges extending over lower two-thirds (figs. 28A, B); parafacialia bare on more than lower half. Basicosta and femora fuscous; costal spine small or indistinct; base of r_{4+5} with several setulae. Subapical scutellars more widely separated from each other than from basal scutellars (fig. 28g); apical scutellars in lateral view dorsally convex (see fig. 27F). 3: Ventral part of third tergite without a spot of dense fine decumbent hairs.
- 31 (32) Setulae on facial ridges small and decumbent, not or hardly exceeding lower third (fig. 28A). Second to fourth abdominal segments in posterior view with a dark median vitta (fig. 28g). Legs wholly fuscous brown to black.
- ²⁸ Pales and Phorcida are placed in Sturmiini by Mesnil, 1949, mainly because of the sinuate inner margin of the lower calyptra, but in British Pales this margin is often evenly rounded. It appears therefore more conducive to the safe identification of British species to follow Mesnil's 1939 paper in leaving these three species outside the Sturmiini, which tribe is then not represented in this country.

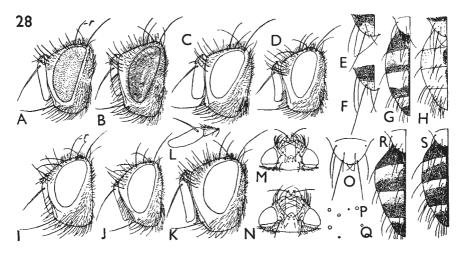
Thorax with a linear dark median vitta (thus with 5 vittae) in front of suture, or the palpi with reddish-yellow apex..... Eumea. (p. 94).

Genus **Elodia** Robineau-Desvoidy, 1863 (*Arrhinomyia* Brauer and Bergenstamm pars).

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (2) Wholly black with thin whitish dust only at shoulders and on lower half of head. 3 post dc. Occiput with several rows of black setulae behind occipital row. Setulae on facial ridges not ascending to beyond middle (fig. 281). Apical scutellars fine (fig. 280), strongly upcurved, in lateral view forming a dorsally concave curve. ♂: figs. 281, o. 3·5-5·5 mm. (= morio Fln.?).

2 (1) Black with conspicuous whitish dust even on parafrontalia and thorax, the latter with vittae; abdomen (fig. 28R) with a black median vitta. 4 post dc. Occiput with only one row of black setulae behind occipital row. Setulae on facial ridges reaching or exceeding middle (fig. 28J). Apical scutellars replaced by a pair of straight, strongish, subparallel preapicals. ♂: figs. 28J, R. 5·5-6·5 mm. (= cloacellae Kramer).



Frg. 28.

Genus Erycia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

KEY TO SPECIES.

(2) Basicosta brownish yellow. Tibiae piceous brown. Lower anterior stpl separated from a line imagined through the first and last by about width of its pore (fig. 28p); normally 4 stpl. Second and third tergites without or with weak irregular discals, second with two pairs of strong marginals (fig. 28H). Scutellum almost wholly reddish (fig. 28H). Rather densely cinereous grey dusted; parafacialia with a large shifting dark spot below frontal setae; thorax with four vittae; abdomen without or (some males) with narrow dark hind margins. δ : figs. 28c, H, P. 7-9 mm. (= fatua Meigen of British authors, not Meigen according to L. Mesnil in litt.).

Parasite of Melitaea aurinia Rott. (!, NYMPHALIDAE) and Arctia caja L. (Arctiidae). Not separated so far from E. fatua, which is recorded from Melitaea athalia Rott., aurinia Rott., Nymphalis io L. (NYMPHALIDAE), Euproctis chrysorrhoea L., phaeorrhoea Don., Lymantria monacha L., dispar L. (LYMANTRIIDAE), and a foreign Zygaena and Geometrid. Dorset.: Tadnall; Blandford(!); Cornwall; Wilts. e.vi-b.vii, viii, marshes, rare.

cinerea Robineau-Desvoidy. 2 (1) Basicosta fuscous brown. Tibiae testaceous. Lower anterior stpl separated from a line imagined through the first and the last by more than twice width of its pore (fig. 280); normally 3 stpl. Second and third tergites each with 2 pairs of discals (behind each other and somewhat irregular), second with 1 pair of marginals (fig. 275). As a rule more than basal third of scutellum fuscous. Densely golden grey or cinereous grey dusted, thorax with vittae, abdomen without dark hind margins. Wings conspicuously yellow-

ish at base. 6: figs. 27d, f, s, 28q. 6.5-8.5 mm. (= rutila Meigen.)

Parasite of Lymantria monacha L. (Lymantridae) and a foreign Hypena (AGROTIDAE) and TORTRICID. Perth. to Aberdeen. to Ross. Devon. to Salop to Warwks. Radnor. Channel Is. e.v-b.vi, b.vii-b.ix, rare

ferruginea Meigen.

Genus Masicera Macquart, 1834.

KEY TO SPECIES.

Third antennal segment hardly more than 2½ times length of second, falling short of mouth margin by its own width. Vertex slightly over a third head-width (♂♀). ♂: third tergite at sides with a large spot of semi-decumbent, moderately short dense hairs. 10-11 mm.

Parasite of Sphingidae (Acherontia atropos L., Smerinthus ocellatus L., populi L., Sphinx pinastri L., Deilephila elpenor L., Celerio euphorbiae L.), Saturnidae (S. pavonia L., etc.) and Lasiocampidae (Philudoria potatoria L.). No certain British record, except Channel ls.

pratensis Meigen. 2 (1) Third antennal segment almost 3 (2) to 4 (3) times length of second, falling short of mouth margin by half its width (fig. 28D). Vertex almost or fully two-fifths head-width (32). Very similar to pratensis but median thoracic vitta often indistinct, and shifting abdominal spots more conspicuous. d: third tergite without a spot of denser hair. 3: figs. 270, 28D, E). 8-13 mm. Parasite of Lymantria dispar L., monacha L., Euproctis phaeorrhoea Don. (LYMANTRIIDAE), Lasiocampa quercus L., Gastropacha quercifolia L., etc. (LASIOCAMPIDAE), Sphinx ligustri L., Dilina tiliae L., Celerio euphorbiae L., galii Rott., etc. (Sphingidae), Saturnia pavonia L., etc. (Saturniidae), Cucullia verbasci L., Nonagria typhae Thunb., etc. (AGROTIDAE), Nymphalis antiopa L.(!), Pieris brassicae L., also bred from "Saperda galls" (CERAMBYCIDAE), which suggests Sciapteron tabaniforme Rott. (SESIIDAE). No

Genus Paraphorocera Brauer and Bergenstamm, 1890 (Lydella Robineau-Devoidy, 1830?, Ceromasia auct., pars).

certain record as British......silvatica Fallén.

(2) Vertex even in female only slightly more than a third head-width (fig. 28m). Third antennal segment less than thrice length of second (fig. 28L). Disc of thorax largely glossy black, only thinly whitish-dusted, vittae hardly visible; white dust of abdominal segments distinct only on basal third or less, except sometimes at sides (fig. 28s). \mathcal{J} : vertex less than a third headwidth; claws longer than last tarsal segment. \mathcal{J} : fig. 28s; \mathcal{L} : fig.

28L, M. 5-9 mm. (= juvenilis Rondani of Meade.)

Parasite of Hadena cucubali Schiff., serena Schiff., Hydroecia micacea Esp.(!), Gortyna flavago Schiff., Coenobia rufa Haw. (Agrotidae), Abraxas grossulariata L. (Geometridae) and Pyrausta nubilalis Hb. (Pyralidae). England, Wales, Scotland (to Sutherland.), generally distributed, Channel Is. m.v-m.x, woods, marshes, gardens, very common..... stabulans Meigen.

2 (1) Vertex (fig. 28n) two-fifths head-width (Δ). Third antennal segment of male fully (fig. 28k), of female often fully thrice as long as second. More densely whitish dusted, vittae conspicuous; whitish dust of abdomen conspicuous on basal half and exceeding it at sides and near middle (fig. 27k). Δ: claws shorter than last tarsal segment. Δ: figs. 27e, G, K, 28k, N. 5·5-10 mm. (grisescens auct., nec Robineau-Desvoidy? "fauve . . . côtés du second segment; . . ailes . . . flavescentes à la base . . .; front . . . argenté . . . brunissant ", etc.).

Parasite of Pyrausta nubilalis Hb. (Pyralidae), a foreign Olethreutid, Malacosoma neustria L. (Lasiocampidae) and numerous Agrotids (Arenostola elymi Tr., a foreign Luperina, etc.). Kent to Cornwall to Merioneth to Lancs. to Yorks. Channel 1s. (b.iv), e.v-e.ix, wastes, very common senilis Meigen.

Genus Zenillia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (12) Mid tibia with only one strong ad seta (fig. 29c), sometimes a very small one basad to it. Section of m between m-m and bend as a rule almost or fully as long as apical cross-vein (fig. 29A).

(5) Abdomen without distinct discals on the intermediate segments (figs. 29F, G); apical four-fifths or more of fourth tergite glossy black. 2—1-1 stpl.

(4) Scutellum wholly black with some greyish dust at apex. First abdominal segment without marginals (fig. 29F). Base of r₄₊₅ with only 1 rather strong (especially on dorsal surface) seta (fig. 29A). Occiput without black setulae behind occipital row. Glossy black with thin brown (β) or thicker grey dust (β), female with four narrow vittae; tergites with conspicuously silver-dusted basal fifth to two-fifths and a narrow dark median vitta. β: frons three-tenths head-width. ρ: figs. 29A, F. 5-6·5 mm. Parasite of Callophrys rubi L. (LYCAENIDAE), Pyrausta nubilalis Hb.

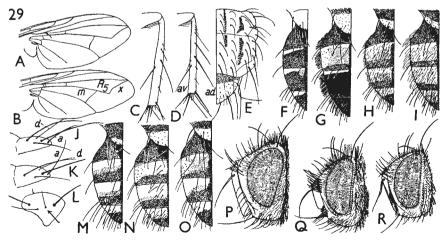


Fig. 29.

(Pyralidae) and a foreign Olethreutid. Probably generally distributed: Surrey to Cornwall to Radnor. to Warwks. Inverness. m.v-m.vii

tritaeniata Rondani.

4 (3) Scutellum reddish yellow with the base narrowly black (fig. 29g). First abdominal segment with 1-2 pairs of strong marginals. Base of r_{4+5} with 2-3 small setulae. Occiput with 1-2 rows of black setulae behind upper part of occipital row. Thinly grey dusted with four interrupted black vittae; basal two-thirds of second abdominal segment gradually more thinly silver-grey dusted, third segment of female similar, of male distinctive, glossy black with a very narrow pale-dusted basal band (broadly interrupted at middle); fourth with a little pale dust at sides of base, in male often without (fig. 29g). σ : frons almost three-tenths head-width. σ : figs. 29c, g. 5-5-8 mm. (Sbg. Aplomyia Robineau-Desvoidy.)

- 5 (2) Abdomen with distinct paired discals on the intermediate segments (figs. 29н, 1) and a pair of marginals on the first; pale dust of fourth segment covering more than basal third (roseanae) to more than basal half. Base of r₄₊₅ with 2-3 setulae. Occiput with a row of black setulae behind occipital row.
- 6 (7) Densely golden or brownish golden dusted, abdomen without black hind margins (but often indicated on third segment); ground-colour of scutellum wholly brownish testaceous; thoracic vittae very narrow but strongly contrasting (fig. 29E), median vitta of abdomen absent in female. Palpi orange with darker base. 2 + 1 stpl. Wings conspicuously orange at base. Apical scutellars at least as long as lateral ones, dorsally convex in lateral view.

 3: fig. 29E. 6-8·5 mm. (= ciligera Robineau-Desvoidy.)

7 (6) Dust whitish grey to cinereous grey and less dense, at least third and fourth abdominal segments always with conspicuous black hind margins; ground-colour of scutellum black on basal half or more; median vitta of abdomen well defined in both sexes in posterior view (in some pullata only on second segment). Palpi fuscous but apex often narrowly brownish. Wings not markedly orange outward of the bifurcation of rs.

8 (11) stpl 2—1 (see fig. 270). Apical scutellars (fig. 291a) describing a dorsally convex curve in lateral view and not crossing discal scutellars (d), somewhat shorter than lateral scutellars. Pale-dusted basal band on fourth tergite (fig. 291) occupying much more than half its length (except often in pullata φ).

9 (10) Setulae on facial ridges ascending to slightly above middle (fig. 29P); parafrontalia wider than interfrontalia. Subapical scutellars less widely separated from each other than from basal scutellars (fig. 28F). Marginals of first tergite much finer and shorter than discals of second (fig. 29H), hair of abdomen of unequal length and decumbent (♂♀), black hind margins very narrow in male, but wide and striking in female. ♂: figs. 28F, 29P. ♀: fig. 29H. 4·8-7 mm. (Clemelis Robineau-Desvoidy, Tritochaeta Brauer and Bergenstamm.)

Parasite of Loxostege sticticalis L., Pyrausta nubilalis Hb. (Pyralidae) and abroad of a Psychid. Soakham Down, Kent, 6.viii.38; Eynesford, Kent, 11.viii.34 (H. W. Andrews!)......pullata Meigen.

10 Setulae on facial ridges rarely reaching middle. Parafrontalia as a rule narrower than interfrontalia. Subapical scutellars more widely separated from each other than from basal scutellars (fig. 291). Marginals of first tergite at least as strong as discals on second (fig. 291), hair of abdomen erect, dense, and of even length in male; black hind margins moderately narrow (3°4). Lower calyptra ochraceous-smoky. 3: figs. 291, j. 6·5–8·5 mm. (Sbg. Myxexoristops Townsend; porcula Pandellé, 1859; acrochaeta Brauer and Bergenstamm, 1891; according to Mesnil this species is Phryxe blondeli Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.)

Parasite of Pristiphora erichsoni Htg., Eriocampa ovata L., and Hemichroa crocea Geoffr. (TENTHREDINIDAE), also recorded from Euproctis chrysorrhoea L. (Lymantridae). N. England: Cumberland; Yorks.; but also Sussex: nr. Haywards Heath, 8.vi (J. E. Collin!); Herts.: Boxmoor; Hants.: New Forest; Norfolk: Ormesby. iv, m.v, e.vi, b.viii, woods, wastes, local.

pexops Brauer and Bergenstamm.

stpl 2-1-1 (fig. 29L) or 1-1-1. Apical scutellars (a) describing a dorsally concave curve in lateral view (fig. 29k) and crossing discal scutellars; (d), subapical scutellars less widely separated from each other than from basal scutellars. Pale-dusted basal bands on tergites not or scarcely occupying half, on intermediate segments about half, the length (fig. 29M). Setulae on facial ridges ascending to middle or slightly higher (fig. 29R). Marginals of first tergite weaker than discals of second. Scutellum wholly or almost wholly black (fig. 29m). S: figs. 29k, L, M, R. 5-7 mm. (Sbg. Pseudoperichaeta Brauer and Bergenstamm; = major Brauer and Bergenstamm, 1891; according to Mesnil this species is Phryxe insidiosa Robineau-Desvoidy, 1863.)

Parasite of Pyrausta nubilalis Hb. and other Pyralids (Eurrhypara hortulata L., Notarcha ruralis Scop.!, etc.), Cacoecia crataegana Hb., podana Scop. (!) pronubana Hb., rosana L., Pandemis heparana Schiff!, Tortrix viridana L., Peronea schalleriana L.! (TORTRICIDAE), Phalonia roseana Haw. (Phalo-NIIDAE), Sarrothripus revayana Scop. (AGROTIDAE), Lysandra bellargus Rott. (Lycaenidae) and abroad a Laspeyresia (Olethreutidae) and a Hesperiid. England, Wales, generally distributed to Ches. and Yorks.

e.iv-e.viii, ix (bred b.x), woods, uncommon roseanae Brauer and Bergenstamm.

12 (1) Mid tibia with at least two strong ad setae, the second one more than half as long as the strongest (fig. 29 \overline{D}). Section of m between m-m and bend distinctly shorter than apical cross-vein (fig. 29B). (Sbg. Phryxe s. lat.).

13 (14) Occiput without or with very few black setulae behind occipital row. Only 3 post dc normally (4 post dc: ab. polychaeta Macq.). Descending frontal setae very strong (fig. 290), forming a row which is as a rule partly double. Third and fourth tergites with numerous irregular discals (fig. 29N), third with a row of very strong marginals, which reach or exceed apex of fourth segment. Palpi pale orange. 3 stpl. Fuscous-black, scutellum largely pale ferruginous (fig. 29n), in male second tergite often with a reddish spot Vittae of thorax very inconspicuous; black hind margins occupying apical third or half of intermediate tergites. &: figs. 29B, D, N, Q. 5-9 mm. (Sbg. Hübneria Robineau-Desvoidy, Aplomyia auct., pars.)

Parasite of many ARCTIIDAE (A. caja L., villica L., Phragmatobia fuliginosa L., abroad a Spilosoma, etc.), NOCTUIDAE (Acronicta alni L., tridens Schiff., Amathes ashworthi Doubl., Orthosia stabilis Schiff., incerta Hufn.), Lymantridae (Orgyia gonostigma F., Dasychira pudibunda L., Lymantria dispar L.), Aglais urticae L. (NYMPHALIDAE), Callophrys rubi L. (LYCAENIDAE), Malacosoma neustria L., etc. (LASIOCAMPIDAE), Saturnia pavonia L. (SATURNIIDAE), Pachytelia villosella Ochs. (PSYCHIDAE), and a foreign GEOMETRID. Kent: Folkestone, 1866; Deal, 18. vi. 21.....affinis Fallén.

- 14 (13) Occiput with a well-developed row of black setulae behind occipital row. 4 post dc (normally). Descending frontal setae forming a simple row (except in ingens), at the most with some much weaker setae outward to the main row (figs. 301, J, o).
- 15 (27) Palpi fuscous.
- 16 (19) Second tergite with 2-3 pairs of subequal strong marginals (figs. 290, 30A). Scutellum rufous on about apical two-thirds (figs. 290, 30A); subapical

scutellars more widely separated from each other than from basal scutellars; apical scutellars very long, almost or fully reaching marginals of second

tergite. S: fore claws longer than fifth tarsal segment.

17 (18) 4 stpl in position 2-1-1 (see fig. 29L). Apical scutellars in lateral view describing a dorsally convex curve (see fig. 29B); subapicals separated twice as far from each other as from subbasal scutellars. Thorax glossy black with faint vittae; pollinosity of abdominal segments rather evenly developed on anterior half or three-fifths of intermediate and less than basal half of fourth (fig. 290); second (and third) testaceous at sides. Δ: vertex about three-tenths head-width or wider (fig. 30E). φ : vertex more than a third head-width. δ : figs. 290, 30E. 6-5-9 mm. (Sbg. Phebellia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1846, pars: cincinna Rondani, concinna auct.).

Robineau-Desvoidy, 1846, pars; cincinna Rondani, concinna auct.).

Host Mamestra persicariae L. Dorset.: Coombe Keynes, 12.vi.45
("agnata" in coll. Wainwright.) Hants.: Farley; Gloucs.: Cranham.
Radnor: Rhyader. m.v, m.vii-b.viii, rare......diligens Zetterstedt.

18 (17) 3 stpl in position 2-1 (see fig. 270). Apical scutellars in lateral view describing a dorsally concave curve (fig. 29κ); subapical scutellars only slightly more widely separated than from subbasal scutellars. Thorax moderately densely grey dusted with rather conspicuous vittae; anterior three-fourths or two-thirds of intermediate abdominal segments and more than anterior half of fourth rather densely whitish grey dusted (fig. 30A), pollinosity thinner on disc in posterior view and with shifting reflections, which sometimes cause the dark coloration to reach basal fifth on either side of median vitta, ground-colour wholly fuscous black. 3: frons up to a fourth headwidth (fig. 30D). 2: vertex not over a third head-width. 3: figs. 30A, D. 6-9·5 mm. (Sbg. Prooppia Townsend.)

Probably not British. The Fallowfield specimen bred by A. E. Cameron from Abraxas grossulariata L. was identified before 1916, and the specimen is not in Manchester according to Dr. W. D. Hincks and not in the collections left by the late Dr. A. E. Cameron according to Mr. J. W. McHardy. Thanks are expressed to both Dr. Hincks and Mr. McHardy for much trouble taken in this matter. The specimen was undoubtedly misidentified.

agnata Rondani.

19 (16) Second tergite with only 1 pair of differentiated marginals (fig. 30B). Scutellum as a rule dark on more than basal half; apical scutellars not or only slightly exceeding discals of second tergite (fig. 30B). 3 stpl in position 2-1 (see fig. 27o).

20 (21) Apical scutellars in lateral view describing a dorsally convex curve (fig. 29J); scutellum wholly black like rest of body, abdomen with slight brassy reflections. Thorax of male rather thinly, of female moderately thickly whitish grey dusted, anteriorly with four vittae; abdomen with thickly silver grey dusted basal bands, which gradually fade out towards or beyond middle, with shifting reflections and a poorly defined dark median vitta (fig. 30B). ♂: claws longer than fifth tarsal segment (fig. 30c); froms less than threetenths head-width. ♀: vertex a third head-width. ♂: figs. 24B, 30B, c. 5-7·5 mm. (Sbg. Platymyia Robineau-Desvoidy; = temera Rondani.)

Parasite of Acronicta psi L., a foreign Eublemma (Agrotidae), Semiothisa wauaria L. (Geometridae), Zygaena filipendulae L. and the sawflies Pteronidea oligospila Foerst., Neurotoma saltuum L.(!), etc. Kent to Devon. to Merioneth. to Ches. to Suffolk. Co. Kerry. e. iv, e.v-b.ix, common

fimbriata Meigen.

21 (20) Apical scutellars suberect, in lateral view antero-dorsally concave (fig. 30r); scutellum reddish at least at apex; abdomen normally without brassy reflections. 32: claws and pulvilli not longer than fifth tarsal segment (fig. 30r); from over a third head-width (fig. 30g). (Shg. Phrage 8, str.).

(fig. 30H); from over a third head-width (fig. 30G). (Sbg. Phryxe s. str.).

22 (23) Ciliation of facial ridges not ascending beyond lower fourth, and only about three frontal setae descending below antennal insertion and not or just reaching level of arista (fig. 30I), a considerable gap thus existing between them and the ascending bristles of the facial ridges. Parafrontalia with dense cinereous dust, thorax and abdomen also more densely dusted. S: figs. 30F-I. 5-8 mm. (Blepharidopsis Brauer and Bergenstamm).

Parasite of many Noctuidae, some Nymphalidae (Polygonia c-album L., Nymphalis io L., Aglais urticae L., Vanessa atalanta L.), Pieridae

(Pieris rapae L.!, Gonepteryx rhamni L.), Lycaenidae (Thecla w-album Knoch and quercus L.!), Lastocampidae (Malacosoma neustria L.), Lymantriidae (Euproctis chrysorrhoea L.), Thyatiridae (Thyatira batis L.), Arctiidae (Callimorpha jacobaeae L.), Geometridae (Abraxas grossulariata L., Hybernia defoliaria Clk.), Zygaenidae (Z. filipendulae L.), Pyralidae (Eurrhypara hortulata L., Notarcha ruralis Scop.), Oecophoridae (Depressaria putridella Schiff., etc.) and Forficula auricularia L. (Dermattera). England, Wales, Scotland (to Sutherland), generally distributed. Co. Waterford. m.iv-e.ix, x, woods, wastes, gardens, very common.

nemea Meigen.
23 (22) Ciliation of facial ridges ascending to middle or nearly so, 4-6 frontal setae
descending to about middle of parafacialia and almost reaching their level
(fig. 30J). Parafrontalia thinly grey dusted, at least posteriorly, thus appearing bluish grey. Dorsum less densely dusted. 6-9 mm.

24 (25, 26) Superior and inferior forcipes (fig. 30k) of male more than 4 times as long as wide, apical two-thirds of the superior one straight in lateral view. Slightly smaller as an average, abdomen usually without rufous coloration; scutellum dark, but slightly tipped with rufous. Dorsum less pollinose,

therefore appearing somewhat darker.

Parasite especially of Zygaena (trifolii Esp., lonicerae Schev., filipendulae L.), larva leaving host in autumn, pupa hibernating in soil (always?); also parasitizing Pieris rapae L. (PIERIDAE), Thecla quercus L.(!) (LYCAENIDAE), Plusia (AGROTIDAE), Eupithecia intricata Zett. and Selenia bilunaria Esp. (Geometridae). Surrey to Devon. to Warwks., Yorks. Aberdeen. to Ross. to Sutherland. b.iii, m-e.v, m.vi-e.viii, wastes, rather common

longicauda Wainwright. 52 (24, 26) Superior and inferior forcipes (fig. 30L) of male of medium length, the inferior one about thrice as long as wide, more than basal half of superior forceps convex in lateral view. As an average slightly larger, abdomen usually narrowly rufous on lateral part of base of second segment; scutellum more extensively rufous at apex. Dorsum more pollinose, therefore appearing less dark. 3: figs. 30J, L.

Adult emerging in autumn (always?); parasite of many Pieridae, Nymphalidae, Agrotidae, Geometridae, various Arctiidae, Sphingidae, Lymantriidae, Lasiocampidae, a few Zygaenidae, Lycaenidae, Hesperidae, Olethreutidae, Hyponomeutidae, Pyralidae and abroad Saturniidae and Thaumetopoeidae. Also bred from the sawflies Diprion pini L. and Neodiprion sertifer Geoffr. and recorded (erroneously?) from

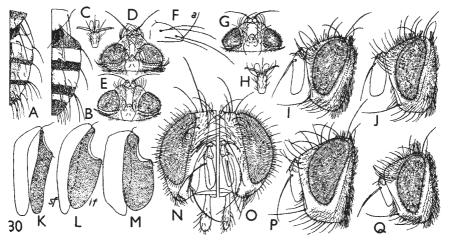


Fig. 30,

26 (24, 25) Superior forceps of male thrice, inferior one slightly more than twice, as long as wide (fig. 30m), the former strongly convex in more than basal half (lateral view) and with a conspicuous blunt tooth on under (anterior) side. Shining black hind margins of tergites somewhat wider, that of fourth occupying almost two-thirds of the length. (= heraclei Meigen?)

Bred from Philudoria potatoria L. (LASIOCAMPIDAE). Hants. to Devon.

Bred from Philudoria potatoria L. (LASIOCAMPIDAE). Hants. to Devon to Anglesey to Lancs. to Norfolk. m.v.-b.vi, e.vii-b.x, marshes, scarce

latilobata Wainwright.

27 (15) Palpi orange, at least on about apical half. 3 stpl in position 2–1 (see fig. 270). Apical scutellars in lateral view dorsally convex (fig. 291), subapical scutellars more widely separated from each other than from basal scutellars. (Sbg. Phebellia Robineau-Desvoidy.)

28 (31) Second tergite with only 1 pair of strong marginals. Parafacialia and parafrontalia conspicuously golden dusted, especially in male; setulae on facial ridges approaching or reaching middle (figs. 30N, 0). Anterior three-quarters or more of intermediate abdominal segments rather uniformly silver grey dusted, only slightly less densely so on disc. Bend of m closer to margin than to m-m (see fig. 31B), forming an angle of about 120°, apical cross-vein very oblique. Scutellum not very broadly reddish at apex.

29 (30) Palpi widely spatulate, broadened portion only about twice as long as wide, distinctly wider (measured) than narrowest part of parafacialia (fig. 30n). Frontal setae descending on to the parafacialia in a more or less irregular group (fig. 30n), parafacialia often bare below these setae. Pollinosity rather thin, the general colouring rather bluish with the markings of the thorax rather indistinct. β (according to Wainwright): third antennal segment shorter than in *vicina*; ad row of hind tibia decidedly comb-like. φ: fig. 30n. 10 mm.

Hosts unknown. Norfolk: Winterton, 6.vi.30 &; Catfield, 6.viii.33 (\(\text{Q}\), vicina, Wainwright det.). Ross.: Ardgay, 29.vii.36; Moray.: Culbin Sands, 6.viii.35 (\(\text{Q}\)). Durham: Frog Hall, 27.viii.29 (\(\text{Q}\), ingens, Villen. det.)....ingens Brauer and Bergenstamm.

30 (29) Broadened portion of palpi about thrice as long as wide, not quite as wide as narrowest part of parafacialia (fig. 300). Descending frontal setae forming a single row with some much smaller bristles to the outer side; parafacialia with some long setulose hairs below these setae (fig. 300, r). Pollinosity and pattern slightly more conspicuous; fourth tergite more conspicuously whitish dusted on basal two-fifths, especially laterally. β (according to Wainwright): third antennal segment 2·2 times as long as second; ad row of hind tibia less regular. ♀: figs. 300, r. 8·5-10 mm. Hosts unknown. Norfolk: Horning Ferry, 24.vii.35(♀); Hants.: Farley

Downs, 2.viii.32 (♀); Kent: Ham Street Woods, 7.viii.37 (♀) vicina Wainwright.

31 (28) Second tergite with 2-3 pairs of strong marginals (figs. 31H, I), second to fourth with normally distinct though irregular discals. Parafrontalia and parafacialia silver or very pale golden dusted, the latter bare below the descending frontal setae; setulae on facial ridges not ascending beyond lower third (figs. 30Q, 31A).

32 (33) Bend of m much nearer to hind margin than to m-m (distances about 1:2 or 2:3), last section before the bend almost as long as m-m (fig. 31a). Occiput with black setulae arranged in 2-3 irregular rows behind occipital row (fig. 30q). Rather densely and evenly grey dusted, abdomen without or with very faint shifting spots, black hind margins well defined, only occupying one-fifth to one-sixth of length of segments. Bend of m rather V-shaped, especially in female. β : genitalia, fig. 31e; inferior forceps broad and bent forward at apex. β : figs. 30q, 31b, E. 8·5-9·5 mm. (= quadriseta VILLENEUVE).

Hosts unknown. Hereford: Tarrington, 14. viii. 97...... cotel Grilat.

33 (32) Bend of m at the most slightly nearer to hind margin than to m-m (distances not less than 4:5), often nearer to m-m than to hind margin (figs. 31c, D).

Occiput with the black setulae arranged in 1-2 irregular rows behind occipital row (fig. 31A). Blackish species with thinner, less evenly distributed grey dust, abdomen usually with conspicuous shifting spots, hind margins not very sharply defined and occupying about a third of length of segment near median vitta, the latter more conspicuous and less narrow. S: inferior forceps (figs. 31F, G) not bent forward at apex.

(35) Bend of m forming an angle of about 100° (fig. 31c), farther from hind margin than from m-m, apical cross-vein rather strongly concave, often fully twice as long as the preceding section of m. Abdomen (fig. 31H) slightly shorter, tip of fourth segment usually triangularly pointed in female. Scutellum often largely rufous. δ : foreipes, fig. 31F. δ : figs. 31A, C, F. φ : fig. 31H. 8-9·5 mm. (= glauca auct., nec Meigen.)

(34) Bend of m forming an angle of about 120° (fig. 31d), about as distant from hind margin as from m-m, apical cross-vein moderately concave and very oblique, less than twice as long as preceding section of m. Abdomen slightly more oblong (fig. 31t), tip of fourth segment as a rule distinctly truncate in female. Scutellum less rufous. ♂: forcipes, fig. 31c. ♂: figs. 28e, 31d, g. ♀: fig. 31t. 8-10 mm. (= humiliceps Pandellé.)

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e.vi-b.ix ... glauca Meigen.

Genus Eumea Robineau-Desvoidy, 1863.

KEY TO SPECIES.

1 (2) Palpi and scutellum wholly fuscous black. Thorax with a conspicuous linear undusted median vitta in front of suture, thus with 5 vittae anteriorly (fig. 31_J). Lower calyptra with rounded inner apical angle. Hind tibia with not very dense setae on ad surface (fig. 31_L). Setulae on facial ridges

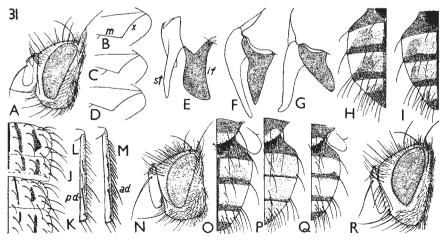


Fig. 31.

fine, hardly reaching lower third (fig. 28A). Discals of intermediate tergites distinct (fig. 28c). 3: antennae exceeding level of lower eye margins (in anterior view), third segment 4-5 times length of second.29 3: figs.

28A, G, 31J, L. 6.5-8.5 mm.

Parasite of Cosmia affinis L., Cucullia prenanthis Boisd. (AGROTIDAE), Eurrhypara hortulata L. (Pyralidae) ($\hat{A}udcent!$), Cydia pomonella L.? (OLETHREUTIDAE), Cacoecia rosana L. (TORTRICIDAE) (!) and probably other Heterocera. Hants. to Cornwall to Salop to Cambs. b.v-m.vi, b.vii-

b.x westermanni Zetterstedt.
Palpi and scutellum with reddish yellow apex. Thorax with only 4 narrow (1)vittae anteriorly (fig. 31k), pollinosity thin, giving a bluish hue to thorax and abdomen. Lower calyptra with an inner apical angle which is almost right, only slightly obtuse (fig. 31o). Hind tibia with a dense fringe of somewhat flattened setae and a stronger seta beyond middle (fig. 31m). Setulae on facial ridges somewhat stronger, often occupying lower two-fifths (fig. 31n). Discals of intermediate tergites rather irregular, sometimes indistinct (fig. 310). Very similar to Pales pavida. 3: figs. 31k, m, n, o. 8-10.5 mm. (= blepharipoda Brauer and Bergenstamm; ingens Brauer and Bergenstamm, of Stein, nec Brauer and Bergenstamm.)

> Parasite especially of Acronicta species and other Agrotidae (Amathes ashworthi Doubl., Mamestra brassicae L., pisi L., Orthosia stabilis Schiff., Agrotis segetum Schiff.), Pieris brassicae L. (PIERIDAE), Hyloicus pinastri L. (Sphingidae), Malacosoma neustria L. (Lasiocampidae), Orgyia antiqua L., Euproctis phaeorrhoea Don. (LUMANTRIIDAE). Kent to Devon. to Lancs. to Yorks. e.v-b.viii hortulana Meigen.

Genus Pales Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830 (nec Meigen, 1800, Hendel, 1908; = Ctenophorocera Brauer and Bergenstamm, 1891; = Neopales Coquillett, 1910).

(2) Tibiae brownish orange to light brown, somewhat darker at extremities. Lower part of parafacialia narrower (in male much) than third antennal segment (fig. 28B). ad row of setae of hind tibia more or less dense and regular, only 1 seta being conspicuously, and usually another slightly, longer (see fig. 31m). Black with rather thin greyish white dust and conspicuous steel blue reflections; thorax with 4 very narrow undusted vittae; abdomen almost evenly thinly dusted with very narrow undusted hind margins (fig. 31P). S: from not much more than a fourth (0·27-0·28) head-width; subapical scutellars at most a third more widely separated from each other than from basal scutellars (fig. 31P). Q: from one-third head-width. 3: figs. 28B, 31P. 5-10 mm. (= cilipeda Rondani.)

Parasite of many Agrotidae and Lymantridae, also attacking Vanessa io

L. (!), Aglais urticae L. (NYMPHALIDAE), Arctia caja L. (ARCTIIDAE), Malacosoma neustria L., Eriogaster lanestris L., etc. (Lasiocampidae), Abraxas grossulariata L., Alsophila aescularia Schiff. (Geometridae), Zygaena lonicerae Schev., filipendulae L. (ZYGAENIDAE), Oidaematophorus lithodactylus Tr. (PTEROPHORIDAE), Peronea ferrugana Schiff., hastiana L., Tortrix viridana L., Sparganothis pilleriana Schiff. (TORTRICIDAE), Loxostege sticticalis L. (Pyralidae), the sawfly Tenthredo amoena Grav. (and abroad Bombyx mori L., Libythea celtis Fuess. (!), some Thaumetopoeidae and Saturniidae). England, Wales, generally distributed. Moray. (e.iii) b v-e.x, woods and wastes, very common.....pavida Meigen,

²⁹ Antennae of male almost or just reaching level of lower eye margins, third segment 2½ times length of second: mitis Meigen, which has often been considered identical with westermanni, the length of the antennal segments being subject to considerable variation in Tachinidae. E. mitis was wrongly recorded as British by Wainwright on the basis of a single female (St. Ives, Cornwall), now in the British Museum (Natural History). Its third antennal segment is more than thrice (3.13) the length of the second, whilst in females of westermanni it may be only 2.7 times that length (in mitis 2.5 times). The Cornwall female thus is an especially typical westermanni.

2 (1) Tibiae dark brown (beware of pale reflections). Lower part of parafacialia fully as wide as third antennal segment (fig. 31R). ad row of setae of hind tibia consisting of more widely spaced and more unequal setae (see fig. 31L), 3 being conspicuously longer. Black with very thin whitish dust (sometimes brownish in places), almost without bluish reflections, otherwise coloured like pavida. 3: frons a third (0·32-0·33) head-width; subapical scutellars almost twice as widely separated from each other as from basal scutellars (fig. 31Q). φ : frons slightly more than a third head-width (0·35). 3: figs. 31Q, R. 7-9 mm.

Parasite of Plusia gamma L. (AGROTIDAE), Lymantria monacha L. (and abroad a Thaumetopoeid and a Saturniid). Almost certainly not British although recorded from Sussex, Cornwall, Gloucs., Hereford., etc.

pumicata Meigen.

CALLIPHORIDAE.

Like the Tachinids the Calliphoridae have a well-developed ptilinal suture (fig. 1M, pt), only three antennal segments with a dorsal arista (fig. 1A), a longitudinal cleft on dorso-exterior surface of second antennal segment (fig. IA, 2), the spiracles situated in the ventral part of the tergites (fig. 1R, sp), and a row of hypopleural setae (fig. 1E, F, hs). They differ from the Tachinidae by the absence of a convex postscutellum (fig. 1E, p, F). This character is, however, not quite as unambiguous as it sounds or as it appears in typical forms of the families, the postscutellum being in reality only a convex fold of the metanotum, which is separated from it by a more or less deep groove, whilst it is separated from the scutellum by a membraneous suture. In most Calliphoridae (fig. 1F) it will be seen that the uppermost part of the metanotum is slightly convex in lateral view and defined below by a slight depression. In Tachinidae, however, this depression becomes a deep groove (fig. 1E). The transitional forms are found in Rhinophorinae, a group which undoubtedly connects the two families. It is believed that the key to the families on pp. 1-2 will allow the British forms to be classified correctly.

The most common and best-known Calliphoridae are scavengers, but the habits of the various groups are very diverse, and the phylogeny of the habits in this family is an interesting and unsolved problem. The Rhinophorinae are parasites as far as known, and the larvae of most species live in woodlice. The habits of the Sarcophaginae are very varied, Sarcophaga itself developing in a wide range of organic matter, from excrements over dead animals to living ones. The genera most closely related to Sarcophaga have similar habits, many species being parasitic, some of them even in The Miltogrammini and Macronychiini all develop in nests of Sphegidae, Vespidae and Apidae, consuming the food—in many cases paralyzed insects—stored for the development of the Hymenopterous larvae and also devouring the egg or young larva of the host. Pollenia rudis is a parasite of earthworms, but nothing is known about other Polleniinae. In Calliphorinae the Rhiniini attack insect eggs and pupae (Patrizi!), the Cephenomyiini parasitize mammals, some Calliphorini snails, others earthworms, others occasionally sheep and other mammals whilst living normally on dead organic matter, one of the Phormiini is a regular external parasite of bird nestlings, the others being scavengers. It seems that all these habits can most easily be derived from necrophagy on fresh dead bodies, but whether nature has really worked in this way remains an open question.